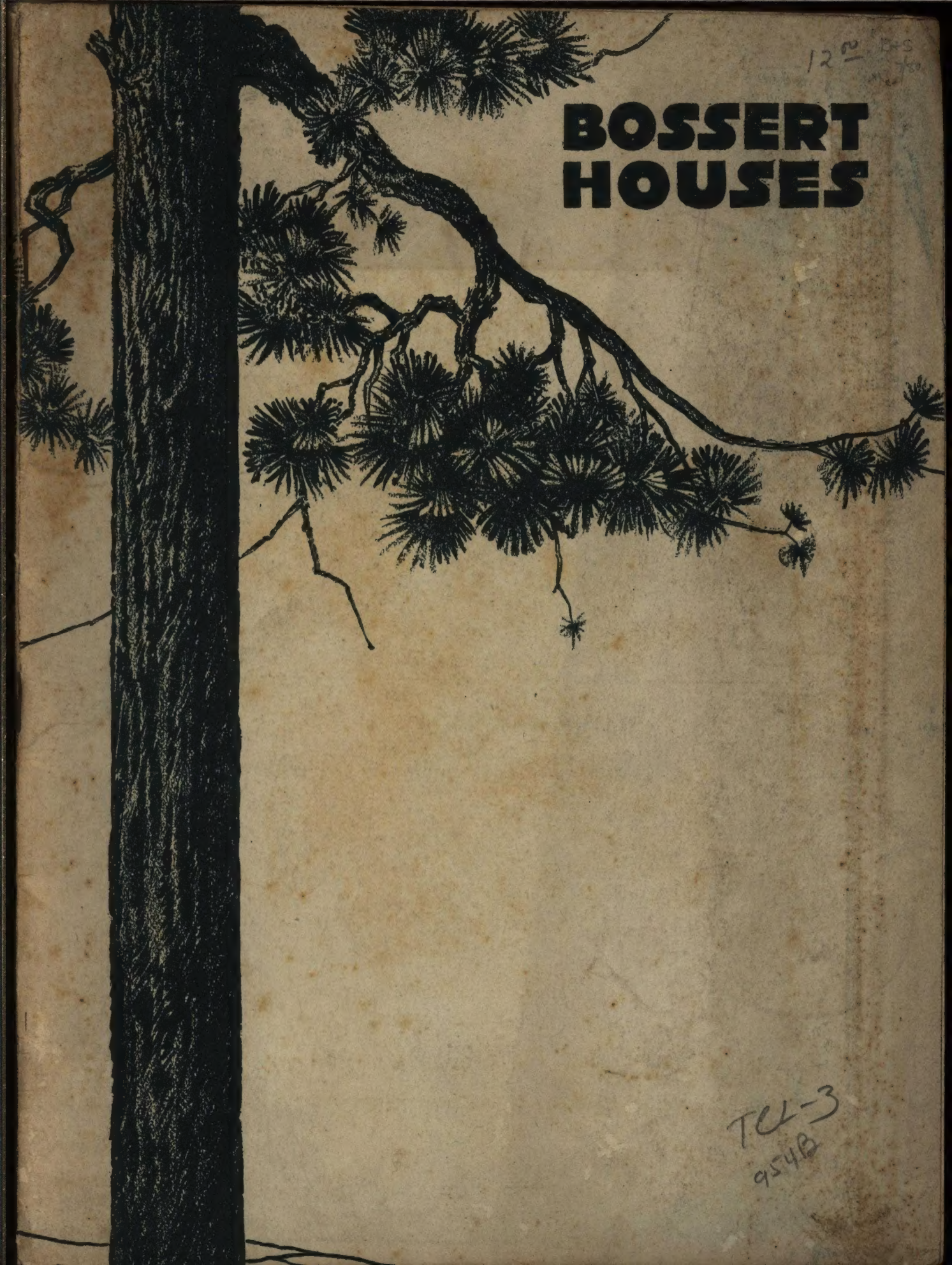

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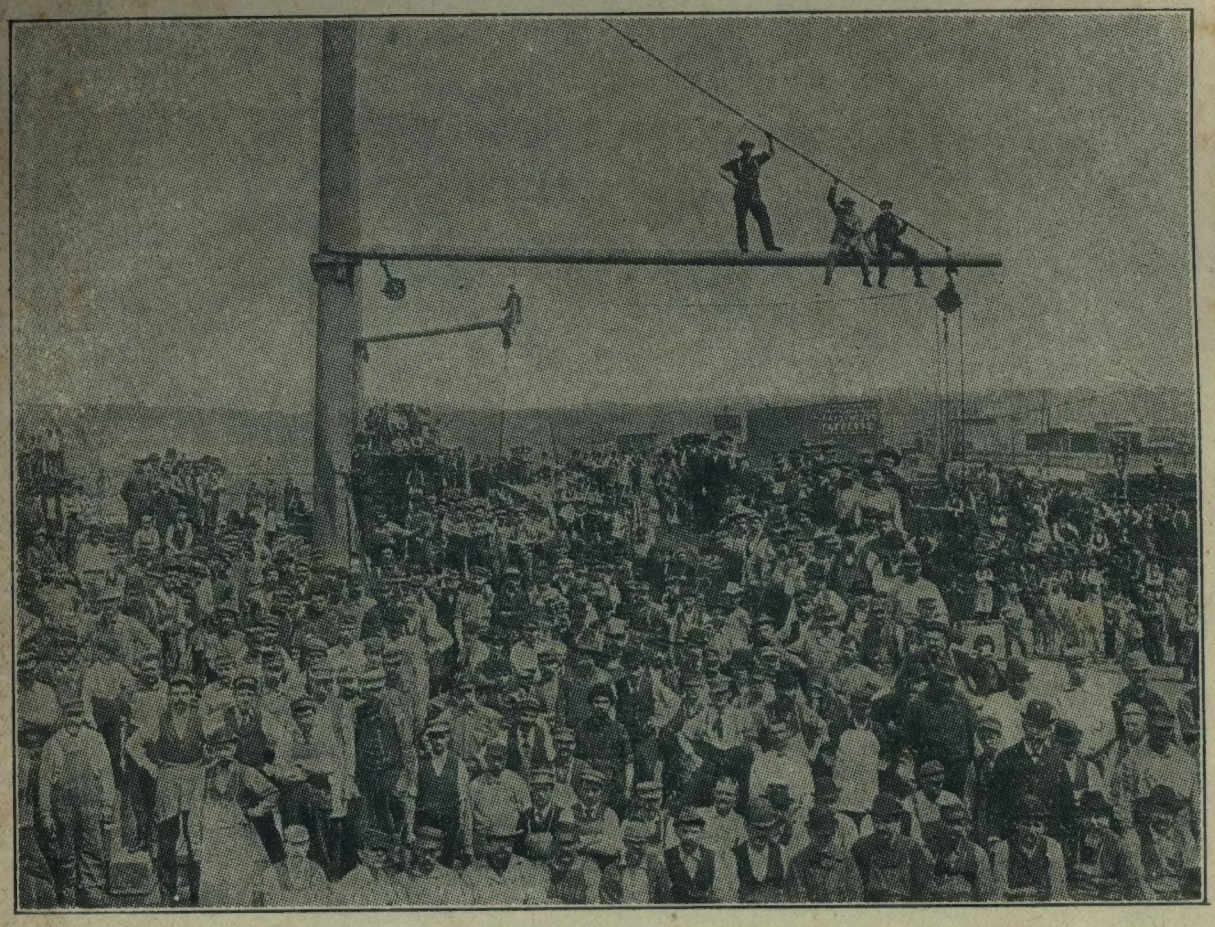

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Bossert Houses

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It being especially desired
that prospective customers acquaint themselves with the

Bossert Method

of manufacturing buildings in such completed units as to eliminate entirely the wasteful, costly, and unsatisfactory features that are inseparable from the old method.

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"BOSSERT" ASSEMBLED UNIT CONSTRUCTION

1921 CATALOG

SPECIAL NOTICE

Buildings illustrated in this catalog are not comparable to buildings illustrated in "Ready-Cut" catalogs. *Bossert Unit Construction* is 90 per cent finished at the mill, whereas the so-called "Ready-Cut" buildings merely have the rough material cut to various lengths, which adds about 10 per cent to the cost of the rough lumber.

Bossert Buildings are completely manufactured at the mill and merely erected at the site.

They are made in three grades, as follows:

Grade "A"—Bossert "Assembled Unit Construction" high class permanent buildings of the finest type and superior to buildings erected in the old fashioned way.
Units are made 4'—0" wide. They are interchangeable to suit plan requirements.
Doors are fitted and hung complete with hardware and outside trim.
Windows are fitted and hung complete, with hardware, weights, pulleys and cords.
Trim is full size, put together at the mill and ready to install when the plaster or wall board is applied.

Grade "B"—Bossert "Redibilt" houses are made in interchangeable units 3'—0" wide, somewhat simpler than the above grade; they are bolted together in erection and suitable in every way for *all-the-year occupancy*.

Grade "C"—Known as Bossert "Excelsior" construction, the real portable house, suitable for summer bungalows, camps, garages, farm buildings, etc., all of which, however, can be lined on the inside and made into permanent buildings.

All of the above types are illustrated and described in this catalog

Bossert units are complete in themselves,

They leave nothing for the purchaser to buy, which is a new departure in house building. This fact, in itself, is of paramount importance when buildings are required in localities where labor and materials are prohibitive or unobtainable.

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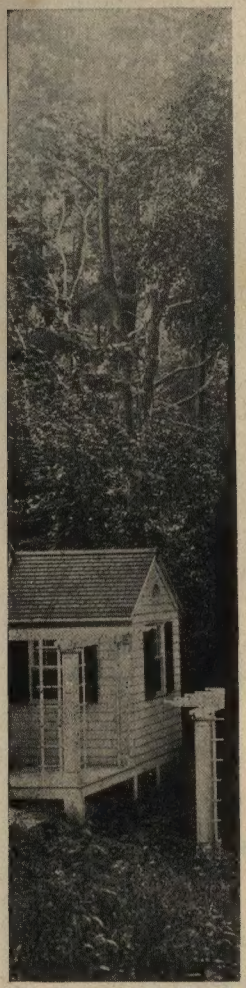
View from a Bossert Porch



The Heart of the Woods

The Problem

THOUSANDS of books and articles have been written on the problems of home building, but no short cuts have ever been uncovered or devised to make the solutions easy or the burden light.

Let us briefly dissect the problem and see what the difficulties are and why they exist. The average home costs 30% for materials and 70% for labor—*materials* vary tremendously in cost, exact quantities cannot be ordered and much is wasted. *The labor item* is even more wasteful, for about one-third of the workmen's time is consumed in lost motion, the goings to and fro, piecemeal methods, long waits for delivery of materials, errors, and inclement weather all tend to prolong the building period, which, incidentally, carries with it the continued cost of a foreman and the general contractor's overhead expenses.

Let us not dwell longer on these "home" truths, for most owners "move in" with shattered nerves and shrunken pocket-books. *The Builder* usually receives the maledictions of the owner, who labors under the delusion that he makes enormous profits; yet statistics show that 90% of the builders in the country are financial failures.

The Architect is long suffering and patient, but the task of carrying the owner through the ordeal seldom survives the test of friendship. *In short,* there is no other business in the country which is so wasteful in effort, so undeveloped, unsatisfactory and in all respects so un-American.

A Shady Bossert Porch

A Bossert Cottage

An Oval Driveway

A Bossert House Overlooking the Hudson River

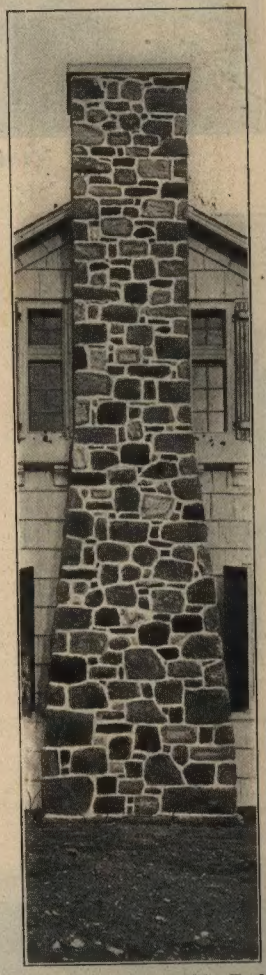
Simple Cottage Fireplace

The Answer

THE solution of the home building problem is not the portable house or ready cut plan, but rather what might be termed an Assembled Unit Plan. The extraordinary difference being that the units are completed in the mill and their adaptation to individual needs is limited only to the *ingenuity of the Architect* or home builder. With these units almost any style or shape of permanent dwelling can be erected and *actually lived in* within less time than is required to prepare plans alone of a similar dwelling. It is particularly interesting to note that these units are admirably adapted to the reproduction of those charming old Dutch Colonial Houses with the exterior walls partly built of stone or stucco.

There is nothing magical or mysterious about the "Bossert Unit Plan." It is simply the outcome of an ideal, developed to a high standard of efficiency, so that the waste, the duplication of effort and the inevitable delays of the old home building method are entirely eliminated.

For those technically inclined many interesting construction features are shown, but to the layman we simply state that the "Bossert Unit System" of home building is something they have never been offered before. It is virtually the end of their home building troubles. The following pages will show the many architecturally beautiful homes which are ready for erection at a definite cost and almost at a moment's notice. Nor is this all, for hundreds of *plan variations* are possible with this system of construction at the same unit cost, without extras, trouble, or expense to the purchaser.



An Attractive Gable End

Interesting Group of Bossert Farm Buildings

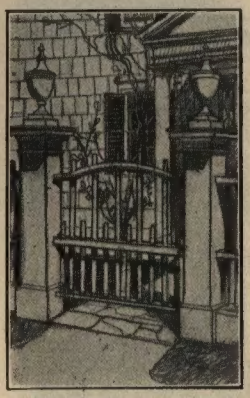
A Living Room Interior

The Bossert Plan

The Bossert plan is a revelation in home building because it provides (for permanent construction) exterior walls, floors, partitions and roofs in completed sections ready to erect on foundation walls at a definite cost. The construction, or method of putting together, is comparable to the building of an automobile from the assembled parts because it is done just as quickly and efficiently.

Construction

Just as every part of an automobile is machined and completed beforehand, so are the Bossert Units, but right here the comparison ends because the Bossert sections are so standardized that they are interchangeable to suit the plan and requirements of the individual. It should be specially noted, however, that only the units are standardized, not the type or design of the buildings.



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"The Bossert" Plan *will cut your troubles in half and save you time, money and many disappointments*

Stability and Permanence

The completed Bossert Building is as superior in construction to the nailed together building as the steel building is to the old masonry structure, and upon examination it will be found that the laborious methods used with such enduring results by the old home builders, such as the mortice and tenon joints (held together with wood pins) are not only employed in the Bossert sections but similar methods (accomplished far more accurately by machinery) are used throughout the entire structure with extraordinary results.

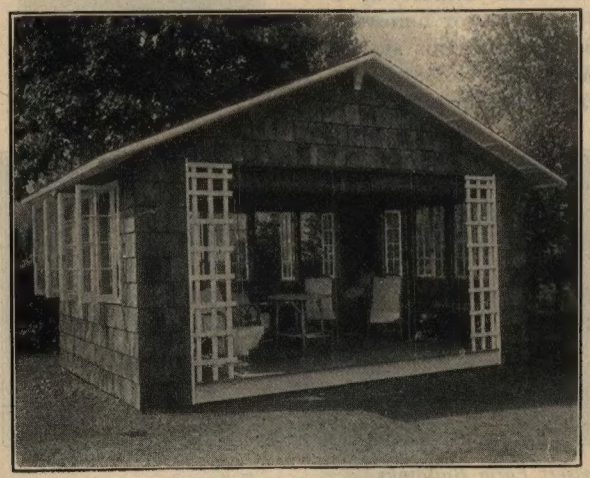
Saving in Cost

Patented machinery and Scientific Methods combined with over fifty years experience in home building, together with unlimited facilities for purchasing and manufacturing in enormous quantities, makes possible a definite cost system and single profit service to the home builder that is as remarkable as it is true, because in addition to the definite cost feature it positively saves the following items:

First:—The expense and time required to prepare plans and obtain estimates.

Second:—At least 75 percent of the usual time required for erection and completion.

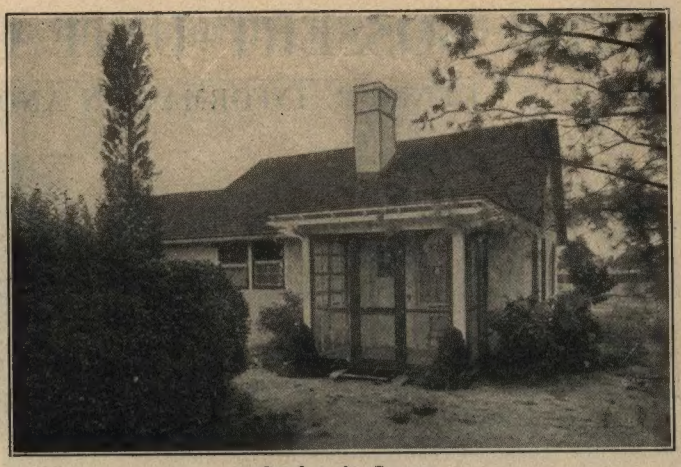
Third:—Interest and carrying charges approximately equal to three months rent of the finished building.



See Page 59 for Playhouses

Variation of Plan and Design

The designs shown in this catalog are but a few examples which it is possible to obtain from the Bossert Standardized Units, most of which are kept in stock ready to assemble and deliver at short notice by rail or automobile truck. Any reasonable variation of plan or design is possible by simply combining the units required to meet individual requirements—the total cost being governed entirely by the number and finish of the Units selected.



A Gardener's Cottage

Size Reduced or Increased

The plans shown can be reversed, reduced or increased in size in any direction or the separate wall window and door sections can be used in making an entirely different house in accordance with dimensions of sections shown on page 6. From the foregoing it will be evident to the reader that the possibilities of interesting room arrangements and picturesque exteriors are unlimited, and restricted only to the ingenuity of the architect or home builder.

We Make Porches of Every Description and Glazing and Screening to suit every type of construction.

Architectural Advantages

The Bossert plans have been developed by leading Architects whose services would ordinarily be prohibitive to the average home builder. This skilled cooperation was given a free rein in the development of the various architectural types and in the interesting details which have been so beautifully carried out, not only in the designs, but in the finished product.

More Pretentious Houses

In more pretentious houses where variation of plans are desired an Architect should be employed to assure unity of plan and harmonious exterior, and to superintend the foundation work and the plumbing, heating and lighting contracts.

It makes no difference what kind of house you want,

"THE BOSSERT PLAN"

will cut your troubles in half and save you time, money and many disappointments. Bossert plans are not stock plans; they are merely suggestive. Rooms can be arranged to suit the needs of your family. Tell us your requirements—on the service blank in back of Catalog the arrangement you prefer—and prices and diagrams will be furnished free of charge.

A Bossert Kitchen

THE BOSSERT UNIT CONSTRUCTION

GENERAL INFORMATION AND SPECIFICATIONS

Delivery

Any building illustrated, or any building made up from a multiple of the parts composing said building, can be made ready for shipment in most cases from 48 hours to two weeks' time, depending upon size and type selected. The smaller buildings and those marked "Stock" are usually available for immediate shipment. Delivery to points within 50 miles of New York City can be made by automobile truck. Urgent orders are replied to by wire as to time required for delivery. For buildings with foundation walls or basements, we send full information and dimension plans on receipt of order.

Erection

Time required for erection of a Bossert House is amazingly short. A small house can be put together in three days. A two-story house will take from six to eight days. Expert labor is not required for the small buildings although good carpenters will do the work better and a great deal quicker than inexperienced men.

Instructions

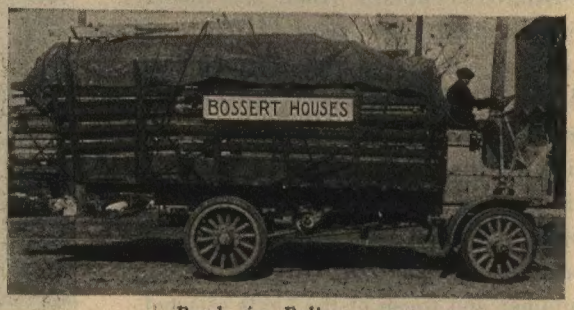
Erection plans showing all parts numbered to correspond with sections accompany each building. It is a simple matter to tell exactly where each part belongs, and no cutting or fitting of any kind is necessary.

Foundations and Chimneys

Summer Cottages and Garages are usually set on post foundations. Sufficient posts for this purpose can usually be obtained locally or will be furnished at slight additional cost. Regular buildings should have basement walls built beforehand according to the plans furnished by us (we do not furnish masonry material or labor of any kind) chimneys can be built during or after erection of building.

Framing Timbers and Floor Sections

All sills are solid continuous members and are put together at the corners with patented joint held together with wood-pins in the old-fashioned way. All floor beams drop into joints machined into



Ready for Delivery

sills (when of equal length they are interchangeable). Floor sections are made up to suit various room units and are battened on under side, forming a finished single floor, or a double floor is also furnished with paper between, which makes the warmest kind of a building and adds greatly to the sound-proof qualities of our better buildings.

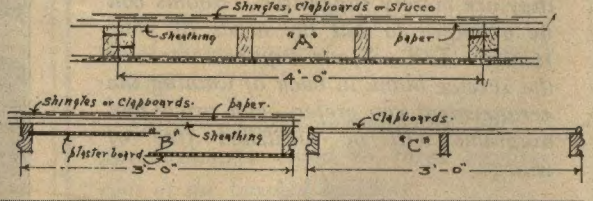
Wall Sections

Wall sections are made in three standard types as illustrated, and although a certain type is described as being most suitable for each model it is possible in most cases to obtain a stucco, clapboard or shingle exterior. The inside finish is also described and varies from single wall construction to wall board or superior plaster board finish which is applied after the building is erected, although any kind of lath and plaster interior can be applied in the regular way.

(A) Double wall construction of the highest class: The exterior can be stucco on wire lath, clapboard or shingles, the interior may be finished in a variety of ways, lath and plaster or plaster board with flush joints or with panel strips over joints. The latter being quickest and cheapest.

(B) "Redibilt" construction suitable for all the year use, consisting of clapboard or shingle exterior with plaster board lining grooved into uprights providing a dead air space and a clean panel finish on the inside.

(C) Single wall, known as "Bossert" Excelsior Construction suitable for Summer Cottages, Camps, etc. These sections are completely finished and so well serve their purpose that at slight additional cost they can readily be made into permanent homes.



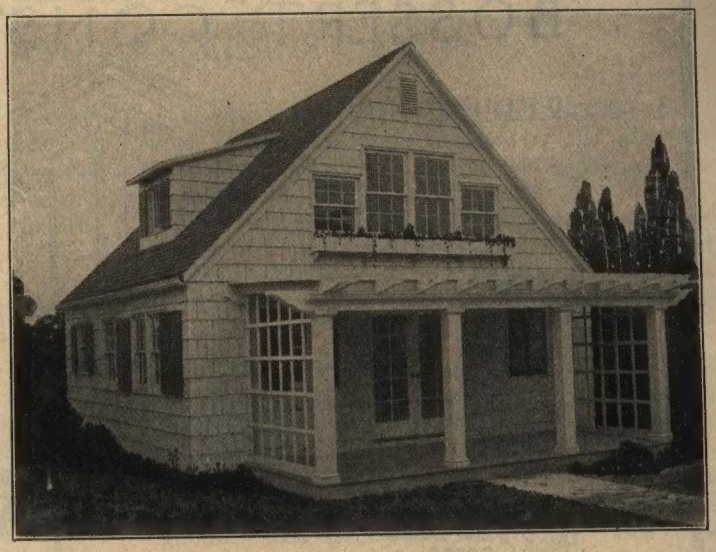
You are dealing in "futures" and unknown quantities when you build a home the old-fashioned way.

Door and Window Sections

Door and window sections for Summer Cottages and Garages are shipped complete with all hardware and necessary inside trim ready for immediate use. On the better class of buildings the trim is applied after erection and is usually specially ordered to suit the customer's requirements.

Roof Sections

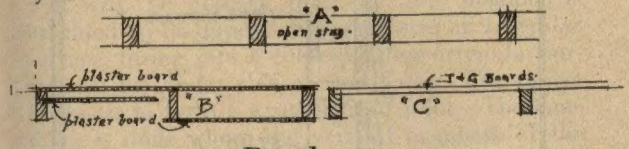
Roof sections are made in completed shingled units or with machine dressed boards over which is applied crushed slate roofing felt. The shingled units are so constructed by the "Bossert" patented method that the entire roof of a two-story house can actually be completed in less than one day. The joints of the sections are invisble when the work is finished.



This House of 5 rooms was erected in 5 days

Inside Partitions

Inside partitions are made in three forms. Class "A" buildings have open stud partitions for regular lath and plaster or plaster board on both sides. Class "B" or "Redibilt" buildings have wall or plaster board flush on one side and grooved in or flush on the other side, forming a dead air space in both cases. Excelsior houses are furnished with board partitions, as shown by "C."



Porches

Porch framing is put together the same as described for floor framing. All posts, railings and steps shown on designs are included. Where not shown on designs but required for special cases they can be made at short notice and included in original shipment if desired.

Blinds, Shutters, Flower Boxes

Wherever blinds, shutters or flower boxes or trellises are shown on the designs they are furnished without extra cost.

Solid shutters are recommended for all buildings that are closed for portions of the year, as they form additional protection and can be securely fastened from the inside.

Bookcases, Cupboards and Seats

Wherever these are shown they are included without extra cost. In general they are designed similar to the illustrations shown in the catalog. Any modifications or changes can be made at additional cost, but time must be allowed for same in considering date of shipment.

Paint

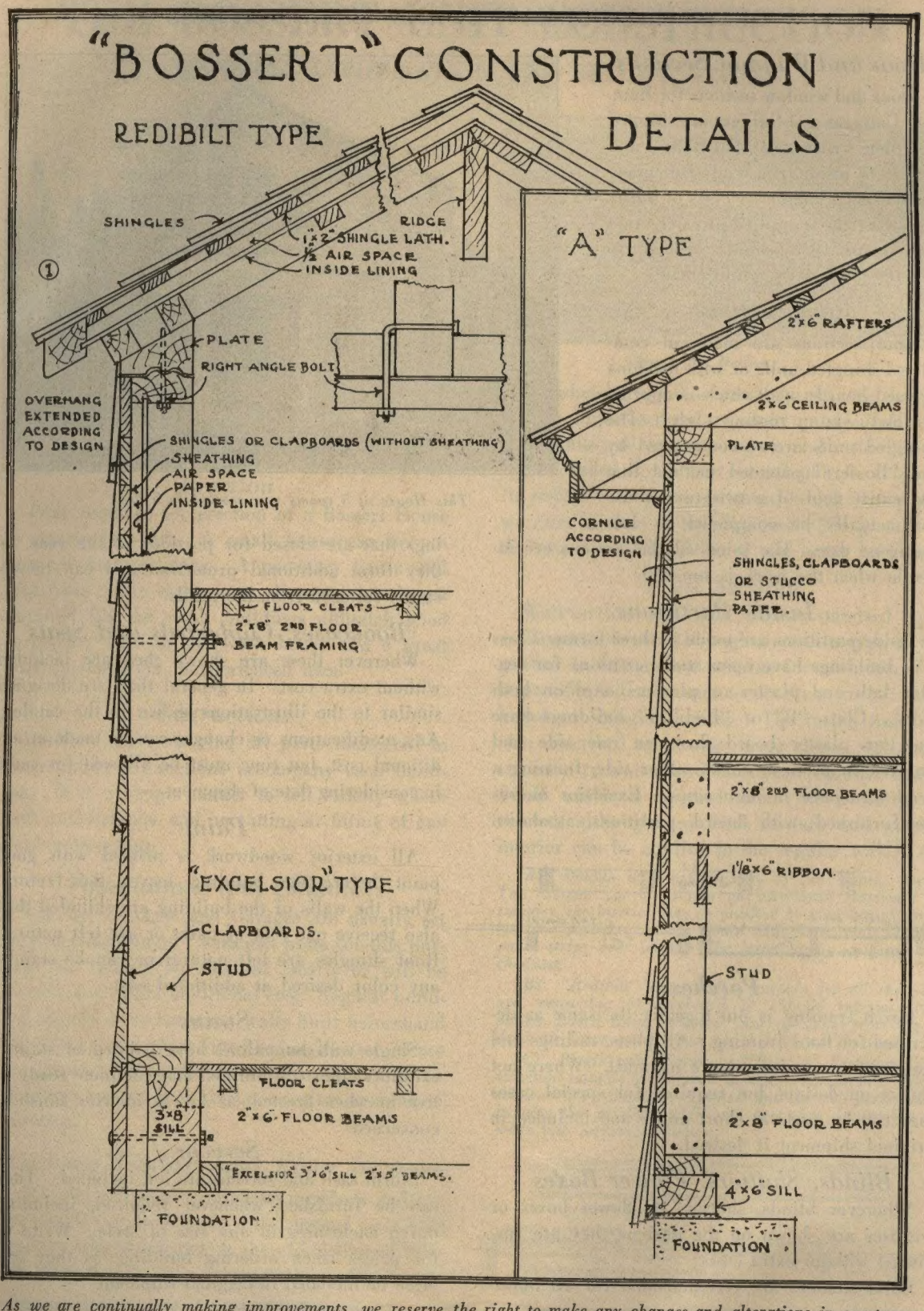
All exterior woodwork is primed with good paint before the building leaves the factory. When the walls of the building are shingled they also receive one coat of paint or are left natural. Roof shingles are left natural or can be stained any color desired at additional cost.

Stains

Single wall bungalows have painted or stained exteriors; they are finished and complete ready to live in when erected, as far as interior finish is concerned.

Screens

Storm sash and screens are not included. They can be furnished whenever required, including porch enclosures in any size or style. Write us for prices when ordering building, as they can often be included in original shipment.



As we are continually making improvements, we reserve the right to make any changes and alterations in construction details that we might consider as such.

Description of "Bossert" Construction Details

"REDIBILT" AND "EXCELSIOR" TYPES

DETAIL No. 1 illustrates a sectional view of Bossert "Redibilt" construction. The top half of the detail shows air space and inside lining on wall and ceiling sections. The lower part of the detail shows single walls of clapboards suitable for camps, summer bungalows, etc., known as "Bossert Excelsior" construction. Both of these types have the same sill and floor beam construction. "Redibilt" type is described as follows:

The 3″ x 8″ sill, as shown, rests on the foundation in a vertical position. This is done so as to allow the floor beams to lock into the sills and also to insure a good connection between it and the vertical wall sections, which are bolted to it.

In the case of a post foundation, the sills rest directly on the posts, which are spaced about 6′ 0″ on centers. A 1″ x 2″ strip is attached to the side of the sills to act as a level and additional bearing for the beams. In this connection it should be mentioned that the floor beams are usually made 2″ x 6″ and the interior span for floor beams from girder to wall or from girder to girder are generally from six to seven feet, unless a larger span is desired for special purposes. Should the span become larger, the depth of the beam must be increased accordingly or additional girders arranged for, according to the conditions.

The bottom member of the vertical sections rests directly on the sills and the side members of these sections; in other words, the studs are extended down past the sill and notched out to fit it. Side, top and bottom members are grooved to receive the inside lining.

It will be noticed that the top member is moulded on its upper surface to form an irregular surface, fitting into a corresponding irregular surface on the under side of the plates. The object of this is to form a weatherproof joint. The same thing is done where the vertical members of the two adjoining sections come together, as illustrated by Detail No. 3.

The outside sheathing is secured to the outside face of the studs and extends from the bottom of the sills to the bottom of the plates. When clapboards are used they take the place of sheathing.

The plate is cut at an angle on the top corresponding to the angle of the roof. This depends entirely upon the design of the building.

The roof sections are supported directly on the plate and here it will be noticed that the connection between the roof, plate and side wall is made in each section by a right angle bolt which fastens all three together at once. This is one of the strongest points of the construction and a very simple solution of the problem.

In general the construction of the roof sections is similar to that of the side walls, with the exception that shingle lath are used in the place of sheathing, but where prepared roofing is used the sheathing is used as on side walls.

The roof sections are joined together over the center of the side wall sections. This is illustrated in the Isometric view. This arrangement insures better construction and also allows an overhang for gable ends.

DETAIL No. 2 illustrates the girder and beam construction. This arrangement is the same as locking the beams to the sills. As illustrated, a tongue is cut on the end of the beams and a corresponding groove cut into the sills or girder. The beams are always a standard distance on centers and they lock exactly into the grooves. This work facilitates erection. It is impossible for the beams to move after they are in place because the wall sections are placed directly on the sills and consequently hold down the beams, and the beams cannot be removed unless all of the walls are first removed. The same is true of the girders, as they are usually placed under the partitions.

DETAIL No. 3 illustrates the connection of the vertical sections, shows how a weather-tight joint is made and shows how the studs are bolted together. There are three bolts to each connection and where there are long windows or French casement windows or doors to the floor, lag screws are used, which finish flush with the wood.

DETAIL No. 4 shows method of locking beams to sills, also illustrates how sills are locked together at the corners with dowels.

ISOMETRIC VIEW. Here is shown a general view of the construction, with some parts removed to show what is underneath. It shows how the trusses are placed directly over the connection of the two side sections and in the case of a very high structure over heavier support, according to conditions.

The members of the trusses are mortised and tenoned together; they have seats in the sides of the top member to receive the purlins which are locked in the same as floor beams lock in similar to the beams already described.

The trusses are generally spaced 12′ 0″ apart and sometimes 15′ 0″, but not over that.

At the ends of the building the purlins span from the last truss to the gable, where similar seats are provided.

The gable ends, that is, all parts above plate, are generally made in one piece, and openings may be made in these gable ends disregarding the

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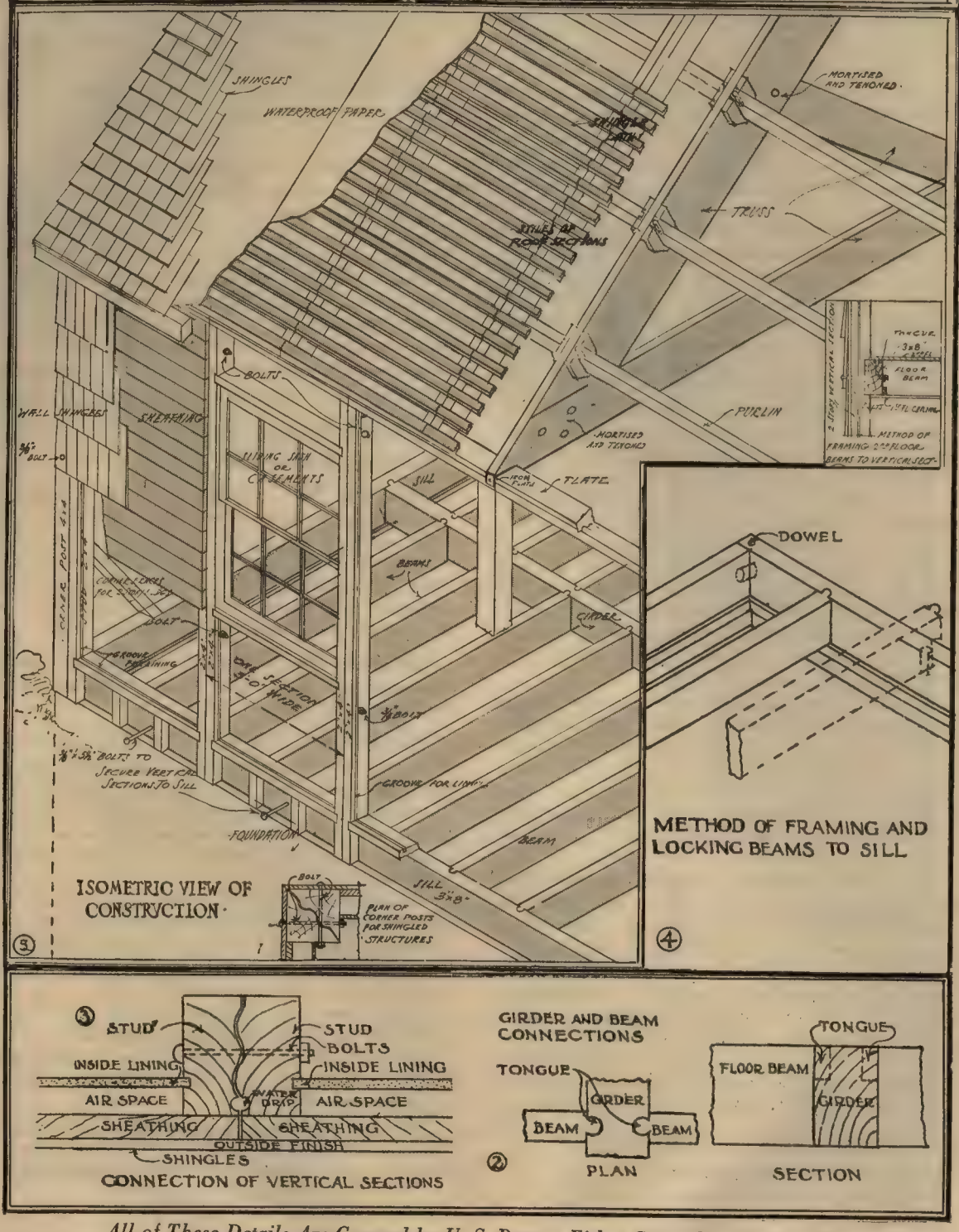
CONSTRUCTION-DETAILS "BOSSERT-HOUSES"



All of These Details Are Covered by U. S. Patents Either Granted or Applied For.

Description of "Bossert" Construction Details

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spacing below if desired. In the case of a large structure a tie is put in between the end truss and the plate of the end wall.

On this drawing may also be seen the position of the various bolts already described.

For two-story buildings the method of securing the floor beams to the side walls is illustrated on Detail No. 1, which shows a 3" x 8" member let into the vertical members at the side sections and bolted to the side sections, also grooved to receive the floor beams in the same manner as described for first-story beams.

"Bossert" Grade "A" Building Units

Mark a New Era in Building Construction because the material for a building of any size and type is not only prepared at the mill, but every item of labor which cannot be done advantageously at the site is also completed at the mill.

As shown by sectional view "A" type, page 8 the building is framed in the regular way, but all the material is provided in the following manner for immediate erection.

SILLS AND FLOOR BEAMS are cut to fit and ready to nail in place.

STAIR WELL HEADERS AND TRIMMERS are cut to fit.

BRIDGING is mitred to length.

OUTSIDE WALL SECTIONS are delivered in units four ft. wide by the full height of the building. They only require nailing together when set in place; each section is sheathed on the outside and the 2 in. x 4 in. studs (which are dressed to width) are checked to receive 1 1-8 in. x 6 in. ribbon for the support of the 2nd floor beams.

GABLE ENDS are completely built up and ready to be set in place.

OUTSIDE DOOR SECTIONS are 4 ft. 0 in. wide and are complete with door jambs, stops, saddles, and doors hung with hardware, glass, and a priming coat of paint.

WINDOW SECTIONS have regular double hung window frames built in place, sash fitted, primed and glazed, weights, pulleys, and sash cord and hardware provided.

CELLAR WINDOW FRAMES and sash shown on plans are included.

ROOF SECTIONS are lathed with wide shingle strips and machined on ends to receive cornice and rake mouldings. They are ready to nail to continuous ridge which is cut to exact length. All mouldings, soffit boards and cove mouldings are ready to nail in place.

OUTSIDE WALL FINISH is optional with the builder; stucco, shingles or clapboards can be used equally well. Shingles for outside walls and roof are furnished unless otherwise specified.

PORCH SECTIONS have floor timbers and roof units the same as described for main building, sash and door framing is put together, primed and ready to set in place.

INTERIOR PARTITION studs are cut to exact sizes and machined to width, stair partitions are built up in one unit and stair wall facings and mouldings are furnished.

INTERIOR WALL FINISH can be plaster board or regular lath and plaster. We can furnish superior plaster board in wide widths and up to 9 ft. 0 in. in height (described on page 67). Lath for plastering in the regular way can also be furnished but not plastering materials.

INTERIOR DOORS are provided but not fitted.

TRIM. All exterior window and door trim is nailed to sections and primed. All interior trim is clear cypress 7-8 in. x 4 1-4 in. with back band, ready to apply. Base consists of 7-8 in. x 6 in. plain base with floor moulding.

STAIRS are furnished put together and ready to set in place with turned newels, balusters and moulded handrails. Cellar stair in spruce or yellow pine is also put together and furnished with slat rail and supports.

FLOORING. Rough flooring is furnished for first floor and 7-8 in. No. 1 N. C. pine or fir for porch and 2nd floor.

BUILDING PAPER for all exterior walls is furnished.

NAILS are provided for all the materials furnished including flooring and shingles.

All of this material is the highly specialized product of a progressive and efficient organization, everything has been thoughtfully provided, eliminating office work, bookkeeping, duplication of effort, delays, worry and disappointment and above all it provides a method of selecting parts for a building which, from the principle involved, cannot be other than highly satisfactory and architecturally correct.

Port Jefferson Model

THROUGH the intelligent grouping of individual structures an architectural effect of rare charm is secured. At the same time an intimate privacy is made possible which can not be found in a home of any other type.

Bossert designers have achieved a most effective grouping in the Port Jefferson, affording at the same time a maximum of convenience and privacy.

The main building is entirely taken up by the living room and dining room. Because of their size, these rooms demand high ceilings. This part of the structure is therefore higher than the wings, which are of standard height.

The beauty of the Port Jefferson is enhanced by the Colonial columns of the wide porch. The floor of this porch, the terrace in the rear, chimneys, and large fireplace are all shown of field stones. Where native stones are not available, brick may be used to good advantage.

The design of the living room and dining room suggests exposed rafters. Exterior walls are of shingles, spaced eleven inches to weather, painted white or stained a light gray. The roof is of shingles of a weathered dark gray or green color. Shutters are painted green. Rooms have walls of plaster board set in panels, or they can be left plain if desired.

In the left wing are located three roomy master bedrooms and two bathrooms. To the right, opening into the dining room, are the butler's pantry, kitchen and servants' quarters.

The distinctive features of this model have made it a great favorite among home builders who seek dignified individuality and the utmost in refinement of design and room arrangement.

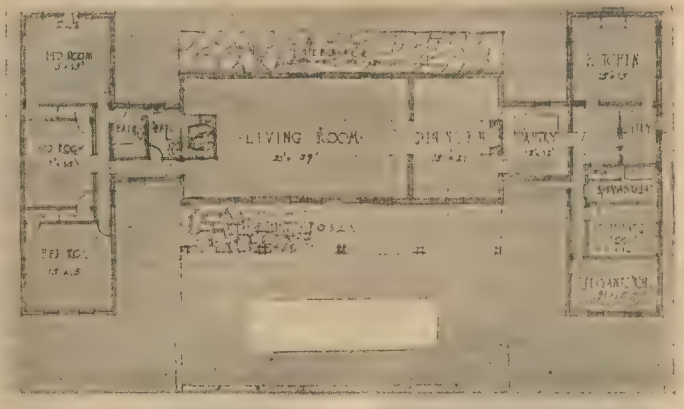
Dear Sirs:— May 1, 1920.

I am glad to say that I have found my Bossert house very satisfactory and consider the Bossert system the easiest solution of the difficult problem of getting a home in these trying times.

One great advantage of Bossert houses is that they are pleasing to anyone with architectural taste—which is not true of those I have seen of other makes. Sincerely,

W. Crawford Young.

45 Wall St., Norwalk, Conn.



Build it the Bossert way; it is both simple and economical

Here is an interior and exterior view of the Port Jefferson model, built at Great Neck on the shore of Long Island Sound. This home possesses a charm and beauty that defies description.

The main building is well set back in the center, facing a magnificent lawn. Its long inviting porch is supported by columns of pure Colonial design.

The two wings, flanking the main building on either side, enhance the fine lines of the central structure—giving this home an appearance which suggests comfort, cheer and hospitality.

And the interior is equally alluring. One feels like stretching one's legs walking the 54 feet from one end to the other of the living room. And who would not be tempted to seek a comfortable chair by the great open fireplace? Can you picture a more inviting spot to spend an evening, surrounded by a few congenial friends, while the younger members of the family have gathered around the far-off dining table for a friendly game of bridge or euchre?

While the arrangement of rooms in this model are the result of considerable thought on the part of the architect, still we realize that changes may be desired to meet individual needs.

Do not hesitate therefore to ask for plans showing the changes desired.

We would also suggest that if you have in mind this particular model, that you go and examine the house and by so doing become perfectly familiar with its distinctive features and pleasing outlines.

The camera fails to portray the many charms of this Port Jefferson Model

Another Example of the Port Jefferson Model

FEW designs have enjoyed greater popularity than the Port Jefferson, illustrated and described on page 12. This model, by an unusual grouping of individual buildings, gives a maximum of convenience and privacy.

We show here two exterior and two interior views of the Port Jefferson Model, illustrating graphically the desirable features of this popular model.

The exterior photographs show the front and rear views, permitting you to see for yourself the harmonious lines of the design, the commodious porch and the many large windows.

Examine carefully the view of the large living room. This room, you will remember, extends the full depth of the main building. The walls in the photographs are lined with wall board and panelled but regular lath and plaster can be applied

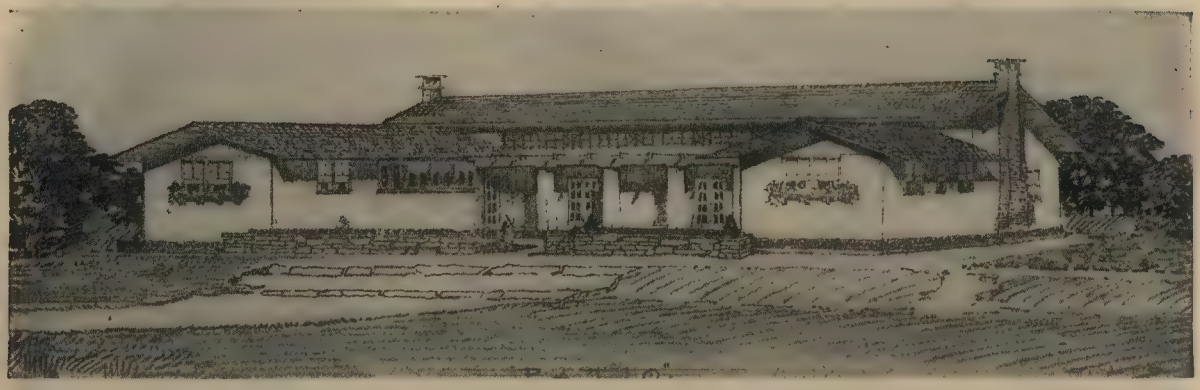
for a sand finished effect or smooth plaster finish for tinting or for wall paper.

Isn't it cheerful and inviting, with its large fireplace, artistic furnishings and French casement windows? At the end you will notice one of the doors leading to the passage-way which connects the wings to the large main building.

In the other interior photograph we show a child's bedroom, cozy, light and airy. Can you picture a more inviting or healthful room for the kiddies?

No doubt you have noticed that the homes pictured here differ somewhat from the plan shown on page 12. That is one of the advantages of the Bossert plan. There is nothing "ready-made" about a Bossert house. Each owner embodies his individual ideas in the model he selects and assures himself of a distinctive home at the lowest possible price.

Let us help you plan and erect a Bossert home for yourself as distinctive and pleasing as the home illustrated here.



Patio Model

THIS is one of our most popular models, the design suggests to our imagination palm trees and orange groves—cloudless summer skies and starlit nights. It breathes the spirit of the land under the Southern Cross, as it spreads its wings to the cooling breezes from whatever point of the compass they may blow.

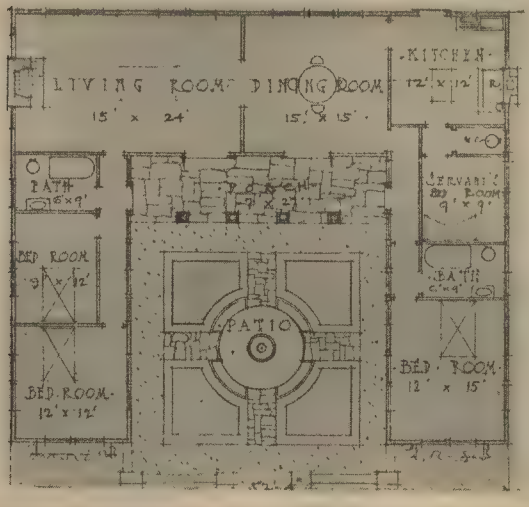
The Patio, or open court-yard leading to the vine-covered, stone-paved pergola, seems to beckon with open arms the guest to enter. It lends itself to decorative possibilities of unlimited scope—and forms an ideal playground for the little ones.

The room arrangement of the Patio is ideal—leaving nothing to be desired in the matter of comfort, convenience and spaciousness. Large, light living room and dining room; airy bedrooms, and bathrooms convenient to all occupants.

The exterior wall surfaces are built of boards presenting an even surface, to which stucco on wire lath may easily be applied. The use of stucco will give an exceptionally good appearance to this house. This is shown very clearly on the photographic reproduction on page 18. Shingles or clapboards may also be used and harmonize well with the design of this model if painted white.

The simple, dignified lines of the roofs and side walls insure the rapid and economical erection of this model by the Bossert method of construction.

If you like the Patio, write us so we can send you still further details. It lends itself to many variations in size and room arrangements, and offers unlimited possibilities to the discerning home builder who demands a home of character and refinement at a definite and reasonable cost.



May 19, 1920.

Gentlemen:—

Replying to yours of the 14th, you may remember that I decided rather suddenly about a year ago to buy one of your Piping Rock models and you were able to make immediate shipment. The man you sent to erect the house had it up in six days and it was ready to live in within about two weeks from the day I placed the order. It was occupied last summer and until late fall and is very satisfactory. We now have a stone foundation under it and plan to have it occupied all winter. Though the thermometer sometimes goes to 30 or 40 below at Belchertown, Mass., where the house is, I think it will be comfortable for it is well built.

Very truly yours,

NELSON C. HOLLAND.

Grand Central Terminal, New York.

"Bossert" Plans are free to purchasers

Adapted from our Patio Model

THE attractive Bossert-built home illustrated here stands on the crest of a picturesque hill in Port Washington, L. I., and is one of the "Show Places" in this locality of beautiful residences.

You will notice that it is similar to our Patio model, yet distinctive and individual both as to appearance and in the arrangement of the floor plan.

Without destroying the harmony of line which has won so many friends for the Patio, an additional floor is provided over the main building, containing a large billiard room, two bedrooms and bath, with ample storage space over wings.

Dear Sirs:—

I do not hesitate to give my heartiest recommendation to anyone who asks for my opinion of my Bossert bungalow. It is well planned, substantially made, and thoroughly satisfactory.

Very truly yours,

MRS. MARY SCHERFF,
per A. H. S.

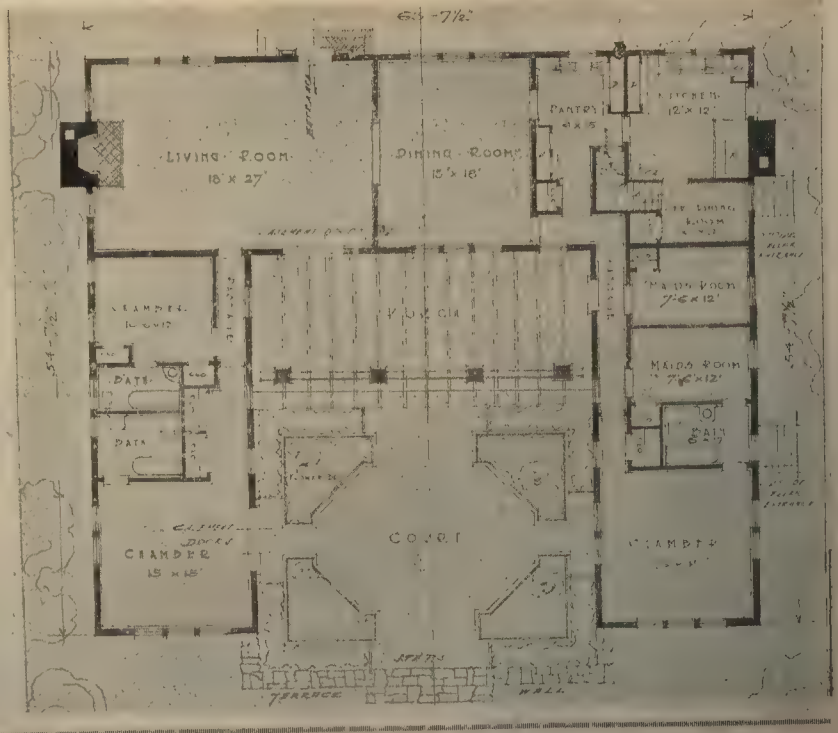
P. S. If you deal in metal garages, will you please give me details.

61 Fremont St.,
Bloomfield, N. J.

Dear Sirs:—

I can recommend your house in every way.

MRS. I. S. TILNEY.
1155 Park Ave.,
Llewellyn Park.



Individual requirements and personal tastes are met perfectly by the Bossert Building Plan

Another Adaptation of the "Patio" Model

EVERY year brings a host of new admirers and enthusiastic owners of the Patio model described on page 16.

Can you picture a more inviting home than the one illustrated here—nestling under the whispering leaves of such fine old trees?

Situated on a gently sloping hill, and finished in white stucco, this Bossert-built home presents a most inviting appearance.

The foundation walls, exterior chimney, porch floor and surrounding walks were built of stones found on the site. Tile inserts over the gable windows give a touch of color that adds materially to the artistic appearance of this individual home.

The bungalow helps to solve the servant problem

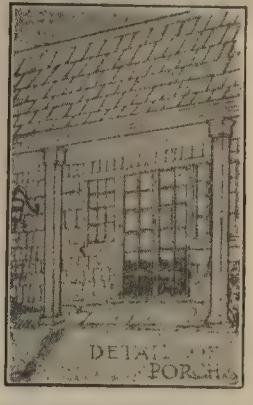
To meet the individual requirements of its owner a frontage and depth somewhat larger than in the Patio model were provided.

Another individual touch is the combining of living room and dining room into one magnificent 18 x 45-foot room, with an open fireplace at either end. This room has a clear height of 16 feet and is open from floor to ridge. Insulating air space on all sides and roof assure comfort at all seasons.

There are three master's bedrooms, two master's baths, a kitchen, sleeping quarters for the servants and a servants' bath. A large cellar under the entire building is provided, and the house is equipped with all modern conveniences, such as a hot-water heating system, electricity, ice machine and sanitary plumbing—a real home in every sense of the word. Our Service Department is maintained solely to assist you in planning yours.

The Bossert plan is elastic and permits of great variation in design

Bermuda Model



IN its general lines the Bermuda carries the picturesque effect of the California bungalow. Yet it offers a dignity of design and convenience of arrangement that sets it apart from the average home of the bungalow type.

Its interior arrangement emphasizes the comfort and housekeeping facilities derived from proper grouping and connecting of different rooms on one floor. The large, well proportioned living room, running through the entire depth of the building, connects on one side with the three bedrooms and bath. On the other side it connects with a pantry through which the commodious kitchen is reached. The maid's room is at the extreme end of the house.

A broad porch, 54 ft. 0 in. long and 9½ ft. wide runs along the entire length of the building.

The walls, if stuccoed, should be done in white marble stucco, thus affording a pleasing contrast to the shingled roof, which may be stained either red or green. Siding or shingles may be substituted for the stucco walls, however. The terrace is done in stone and stands out in bold contrast to the rest of the house.

The foundations, chimney and fireplace, as well as the terrace, are given added charm through the use of field stones in their construction.

The floor plan is particularly suitable for a hillside, but this plan is merely suggestive and can be varied in many ways to suit the purchaser.

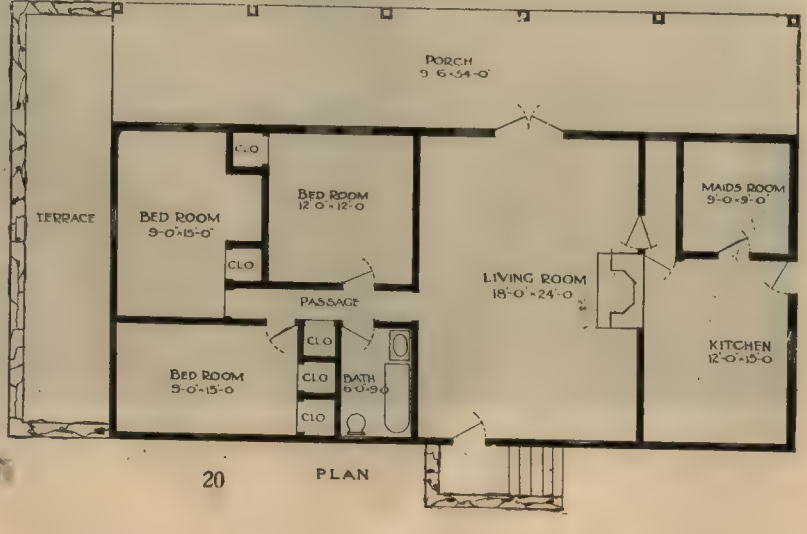
Price according to size and arrangement

May 10, 1920.

Mrs. Emma Flower Taylor has your letter of May 3. She directs me to write you she is well pleased with the Bossert house she bought of you and that she can cheerfully recommend these houses for the purposes to which they are adapted.

JOHN B. HARRIS, *Sec'y.*

224 Massey St.,
Watertown, N. Y.



PLAN

Here is a Home Built from the Bermuda Plans

THERE are many features of the Bermuda model which distinguish it and set it apart from most houses. Examine the illustrations of this Bossert Home, which is located in Plandome, L. I., and you will agree that from every viewpoint it is a home of which its owner may well be proud.

You will notice two or three special features have been added to this house which are not shown on the original model. A pergola porch has been added on one end, there is an artistic balcony in front, and a roomy garage is provided by an extension at the rear, the roof of which forms a terrace. Two charming interior views are shown. They are worthy of careful study.

Beam ceilings are used in the living room and dining room with excellent results.

Observe the fireplace. It illustrates the decorative possibilities of brick, tile, and rough plaster.

This home provides a large living and dining room, three master's bedrooms, maid's room, kitchen, bath and ample closet space. It is modern in every respect—exactly the kind of a home that assures year-round comfort and real pride of ownership.

Like all Bossert Houses it lends itself to almost any change and may be modified to meet the needs of the discriminating home builder.

The floor plans may also be increased or diminished in size without materially changing the architectural treatment. This is true of the smaller as well as the larger Bossert Houses.

Westbury Model

THE exterior of this model — simple and substantial—suggests the hospitality of our New England forefathers. And the interior lives up to your mental picture of what it should be—convenient, cheerful and comfortable.

While the keynote of this model is simplicity, it is both artistic and inviting. The extending eaves add an artistic touch that no novelty trimmings could equal. Large shingles, painted white, are used for the exterior walls. Shingles for the roof are stained. The shutters are painted green.

Without doubt the large living room, extending across the entire front, has attracted your attention. Here, indeed, is a family room worthy of the name. A foyer hall may be arranged at one end.

The dining room, too, is large and well lighted from two sides. From this room we step directly into the kitchen through a convenient swinging door. You will like the size and arrangement of this kitchen, and the cool comfort afforded by its well placed windows.

A centrally located stairway leads to the second floor, where we find four good sized, airy and light bedrooms; all conveniently near the bath room. In each bedroom is a convenient closet of ample size.

The treatment of rooms and size of each permits great freedom in the matter of decoration and the proper placing of furniture. If more bedrooms are desired they may be arranged in an extension similar to plan on page 26.

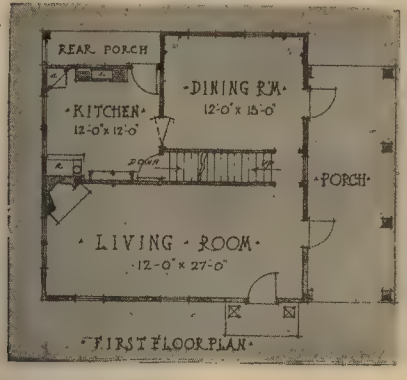
WRIGHTSTOWN, N. J.

LOUIS BOSSERT & SONS, INC.

GENTLEMEN:

I can recommend your houses. I erected one with inexperienced labor and had no trouble, and it has given perfect satisfaction and was occupied the whole year at a rental of $10 per week. I consider it a good investment and worth the money.

Yours truly,
C. REMINE.

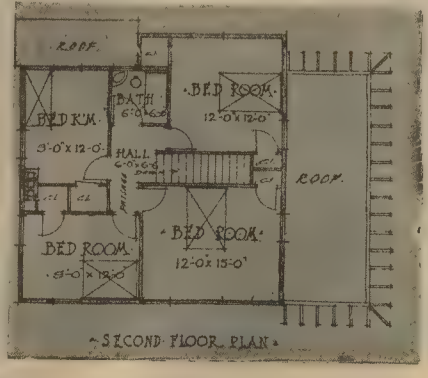


Dear Sirs:—

The Bossert House you erected for me at Southampton is satisfactory and is in accordance with your representations.

Yours,
E. G. WHITTAKER

Southampton, L. I.



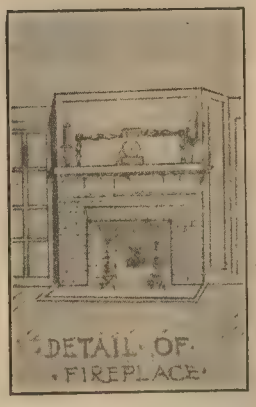
"Bossert" prices are possible, only through intensive production methods.

Jericho Model

HERE we have a two-story residence presenting a dignified exterior of captivating outlines and conveying the impression of spaciousness and roominess. Yet, in planning this model the idea of conserving space and making each room count has been constantly before the architect.

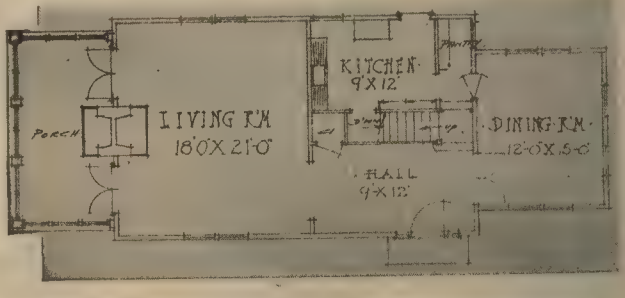
The Jericho contains eight rooms and bath. The principal rooms receive light and air from three sides. The porch is connected with the large living room by means of French casement doors. This porch may be screened for summer use, and may also be equipped for an additional living room, sun parlor or children's playroom.

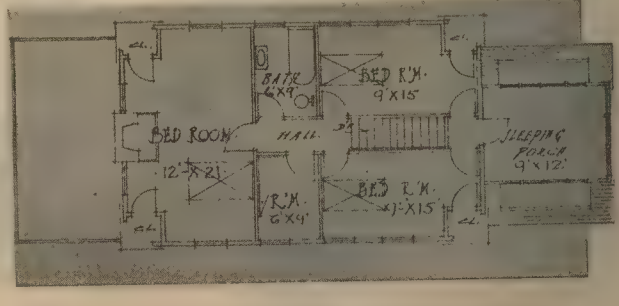
On the second floor we find three bedrooms, a bathroom and a small chamber adjoining the principal bedroom, which may be used either as a child's bedroom, sewing room or an extra storeroom. An outdoor sleeping porch, a very essential feature in the modern home, is located over the dining room, affording added sleeping facilities.



The exterior of this house is pleasing in its simple and distinctive architecture. Shingles are used for both roof and wall surfaces. The roof is stained, side walls painted white.

The entrance doorway is Colonial in design and greatly enhances the appearance of the structure. All of the distinctive touches which add so much to the attractiveness of this home—such as flower boxes, brackets, stair railing, etc.—were designed under our personal supervision and are the work of leading architects.





May 20, 1920.

Yours of April 30th received. I have been trusting to get a photo of my bungalow for you, but a rush of work has interfered. I have been greatly pleased with the Bossert construction. It has worked out wonderfully well, is extremely practical and economical, and presents a very pleasing exterior. How fortunate that you could offer the people in their hour of distress a chance to establish a home with the minimum expense.

Flushing, N. Y. J. H. RIDENOUR.

Virginia Model

WHILE simple in its architectural outlines the Virginia conveys the impression of quiet elegance and proud dignity so characteristic of the South in Colonial days. It is an unusually fine example of a group of individual buildings arranged to produce a convenient and harmonious ensemble.

We feel instinctively, as we approach the handsome entrance, that it will open on a central hall running through the entire depth of the building, with a broad, open stairway at the rear.

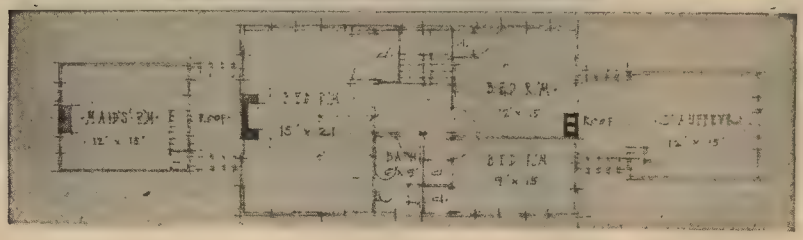
Both the living room and dining room run the full depth of the building, receiving light and air from three sides. The dining room connects conveniently with the kitchen through a small butler's pantry. The living room, by a similar extension, opens into the other separate wing, which serves as a garage with chauffeur's quarters above.

Price according to size and arrangement

Separate stairways in each of the wings completely isolate the servants' quarters from the master's family.

The second floor of the main house contains three bedrooms, one bath and conveniently located closets. A cellar should be constructed under the main part of the house. For the wings foundation walls should be sufficient.

Aside from the picturesque effect and privacy from the grouping of the buildings, as suggested here, there is the obvious advantage of the many exposures, the cross draught for the kitchen, and the use of one heating system for house and garage. May we send you further information?



May 26, 1920.

GENTLEMEN:

It has been my intention to write you for some time to tell you about the great amount of satisfaction I am getting from the Bossert House which was delivered to me last year.

The house was erected shortly after its arrival and certainly is well constructed. The workmanship and material are far above the average that I have seen in houses of this kind, and the ease in which it was assembled was a revelation.

You may put me down as being an enthusiastic owner, and always ready to highly recommend your houses to any future prospects.

Very truly yours,

M. W. LUSK.

c/o White Co.,
Cleveland, O.

A Residence on the Hudson River

THIS handsome house is situated on one of the highest points along the picturesque Hudson River, commanding an unrivaled view of West Point to the north and the wide expanse of the river to the south.

The house was especially designed to harmonize with its surroundings. This is evident in the generous stone columns supporting the porch and in the massive outside chimney. Native stones, found on this building site, were used and aid materially in the attractive blending of the building with its surroundings.

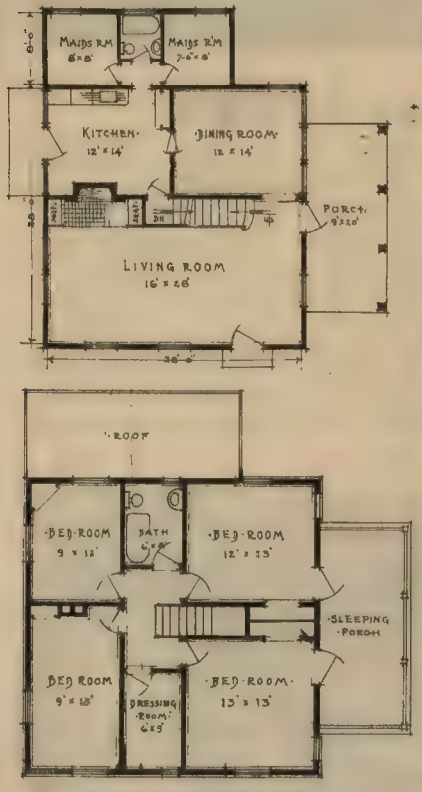
Side walls and roof are of shingles, stained a purple gray. The house is lined with plaster board throughout and has double floors. Rooms were specially arranged to secure maximum benefit from the favorable exposure and fine view.

The interior view shows a section of the light, spacious living room, with the dining room beyond. This house is used as an all-year-round residence, which, in view of its exposed location, is a striking testimonial to the staunchness of Bossert construction.

Prices and detailed specifications furnished upon application

Bossert High Class Permanent Houses are Shown on the Following Pages—26 to 31

They are a Revelation in Method of Construction and Superior to Buildings Erected in the Old-Fashioned Way. The Reader is Referred to the Construction Details and General Information Page for Interesting Details of "Bossert" Grade "A" Unit Construction



Adapted from our Westbury Model

THIS is a handsome home, constructed from Bossert 4′-0″ units. It is individual in every detail, designed especially to blend with its location and environment.

Even though the curtain of foliage in the foreground of the photograph hides much of the exterior, the rich simplicity of its dignified Colonial architecture is at once apparent. And all the details and interesting features are carried out in harmony with this pleasing motif.

The main part of this house is 28 feet by 28 feet. It has an extension of 9 feet by 21 feet. It contains 10 rooms, two baths, two porches on the first floor, and sleeping porch on the second floor. If you like this roomy house, remember that rooms can be arranged to suit the needs of your family. Tell us your requirements on the service blank in back of catalog, and plans and estimates will be furnished without charge.

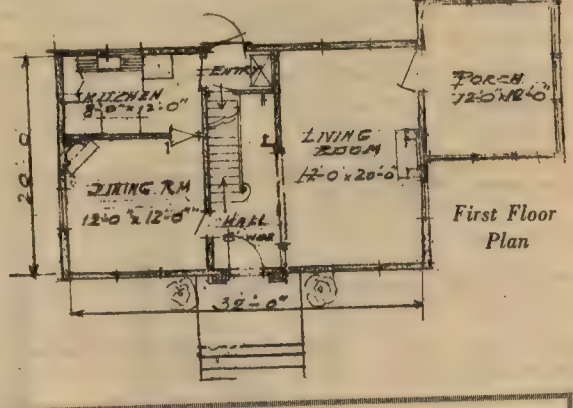
The Flushing Homestead

HERE is a reproduction that every lover of the Colonial period will admire. Many thousands of home seekers look with envying eyes at the fascinating lines and wide hewn shingles of the many charming examples of this veteran type.

In the "Flushing Homestead" the discerning eye of the ardent homeseeker will find that the designer has not only caught the spirit of the style, but that he has also succeeded in obtaining an economical room arrangement with many excellent features.

Note the dignified entrance door, the low roof lines, the large windows and the screened or diamond lattice porch; all of which demands a corresponding simplicity in the treatment of the moldings and carpentry details which are inseparable from this charming type.

While the plan shows the smallest units which it is practical to use for this model, it is to be remembered that the "Bossert" idea permits of the greatest elasticity in size or room arrangement, and it is only necessary for you to indicate (on the service sheet at end of catalog) the room sizes desired, and diagrams will be promptly furnished together with revised prices.



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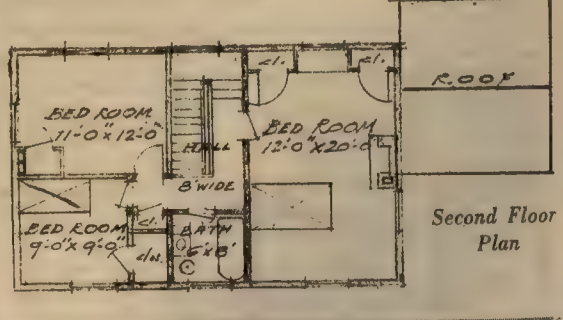


Second Floor Plan

NEW YORK CITY, May 20, 1920.

GENTLEMEN: About four years ago you erected for me one of your Adirondack bungalows at Great Neck. The small structure has stood up against terrific gales blowing across Long Island Sound, and to-day is none the worse for wear.

LEE ROSENBERG.

May 4th, 1920.

Gentlemen:

I am very well pleased with the Bossert house which I purchased from you two years ago. It stood the test during the past severe winter so satisfactorily, that I can recommend your house to prospective buyers.

Very truly yours,

JAY H. ALBERE.

New England Cottage

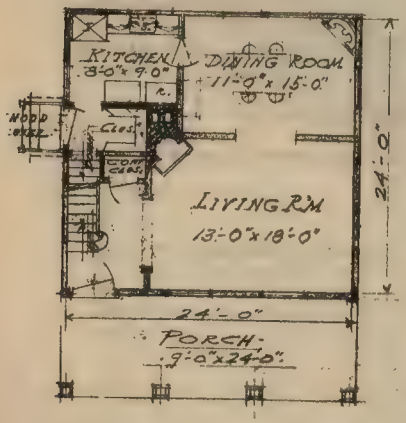
WHILE this design is the same size as the Colonial Villa it is totally different in floor plan.

A study of the two designs, however, will show that practically the same wall units have been used in both cases, thus illustrating in a marked degree the extraordinary variation that is possible with "Bossert" Units.

This phase of the "Bossert" Method of Unit Construction offers unlimited opportunities for individuality in home building; moreover, it is (at the same time) a safeguard against faulty or unsightly results, which factor alone is a valuable asset to every purchaser.

The interior arrangement shown is both logical and economical and will appeal to those desiring a separate stair hall and a porch in front of the building instead of at the side.

As it is of paramount importance that the proper aspect of each room be considered in relation to the building site it will be found that the "Bossert" Method is not only elastic as to size but it permits any room arrangement to be either reversed or transposed to suit the special conditions imposed by the individual or the requirements of the site.



JUNE 5th, 1920.

LOUIS BOSSERT & SONS, INC.

GENTLEMEN:

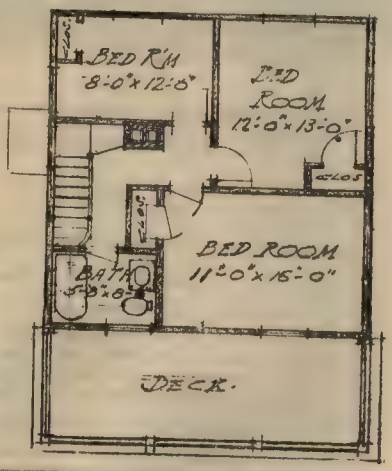
I have much pleasure in stating that the Bungalow has given me every satisfaction.

It has been easily heated, quite compact and in every way satisfactory.

Yours truly,

E. BEGLEY.

259th St. & Riverdale Ave., N. Y.



See page 60 for Inexpensive Summer Bungalows

The Colonial Villa

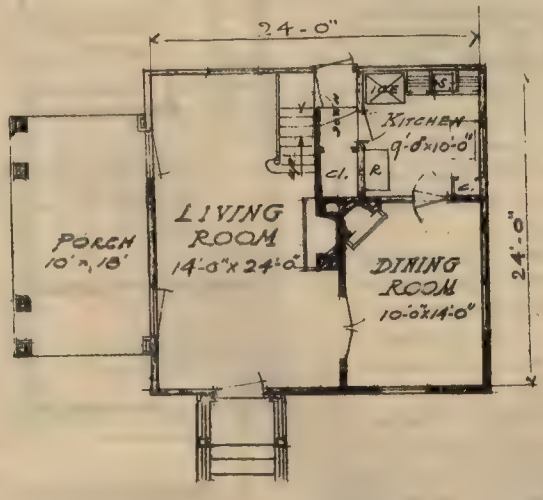
THE simple dignity of this square house has much to recommend it.

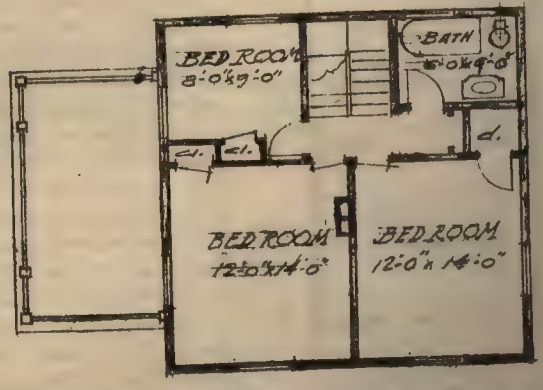
A square building of *any* kind is cheaper to build than any other shape; moreover, it is also the easiest building to heat, especially if the chimney is in the center of the house.

This design is therefore all the more interesting because it not only combines all of these features but in addition it possesses an unusual room arrangement.

Picture the vistas that may be obtained from living room, dining room and porch. The staircase in the corner at the rear is extremely effective and well placed, doing away with hall space and leaving the entire front of the house for the best rooms.

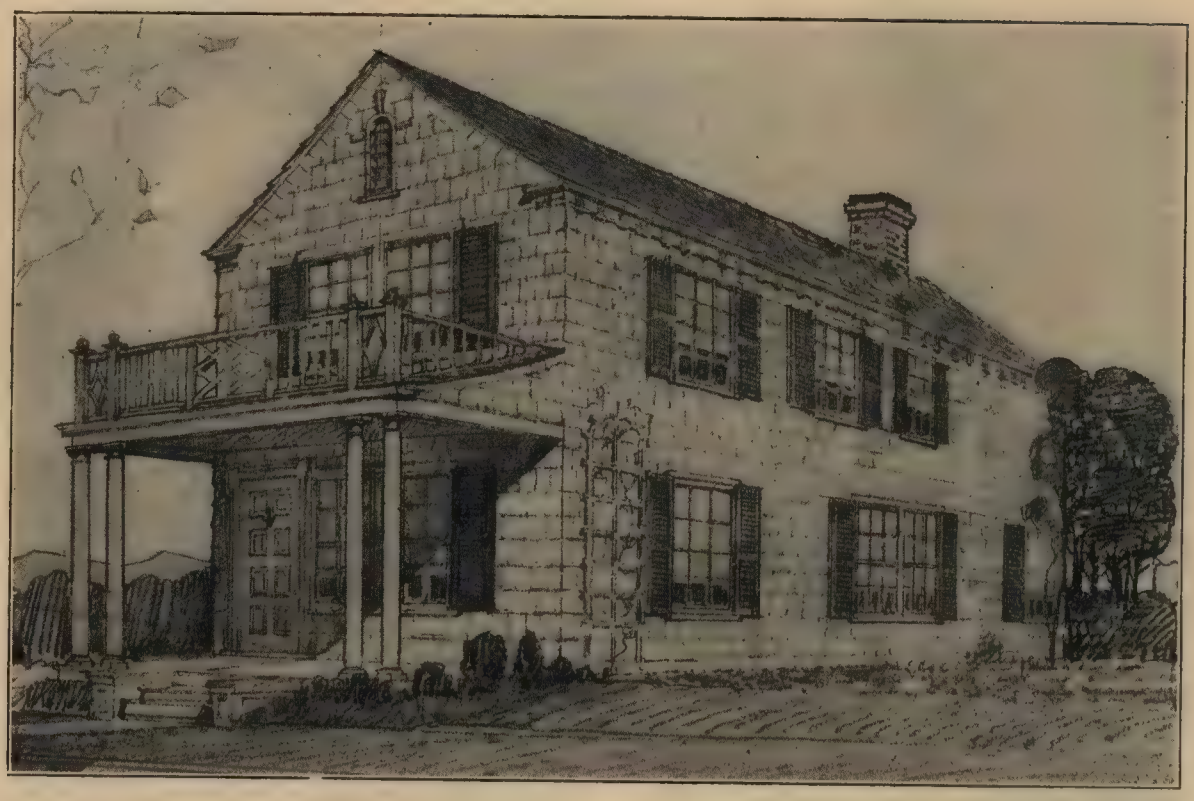
The bedrooms are excellent, and again the bathroom is placed over the kitchen, which means another economy; every foot of space has been utilized to great advantage and we cannot picture a more desirable Colonial house of this size with such a dignified and altogether attractive exterior.





The one I have has stood the Vermont climate without any signs of wear. I believe it is good for years. Very truly yours,
Shelburne, Vt. CLARENCE MORGAN.

Ask for Details of these four-foot Unit Houses



The Suburban

Six-Room Cottage with Front Porch

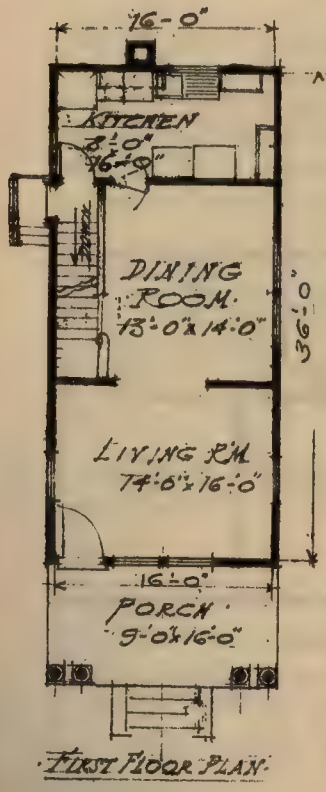
ONE of the most difficult problems in Home Building is to produce a really attractive design for a twenty-foot plot.

The appeal of the "Suburban" even to the uninitiated is irresistible, while to the discerning home-builder the composition and straightforward simplicity of this design will mark an event in small house architecture.

The interior arrangement is just as satisfactory as the exterior and, for a house of this size leaves little to be desired; every foot of space has been utilized to great advantage and the convenience and needs of a small family have been fully provided for.

The most astonishing thing about the "Suburban" is the price. Never before has a small house with such architectural refinements been obtainable without the expenditure of several hundred dollars for the services of a high-class architect.

In nearby suburbs where land is valuable it is interesting to note that a pair of these houses built on two 25-foot plots (under New York City building laws) permit the use of a common driveway to garages in the rear.



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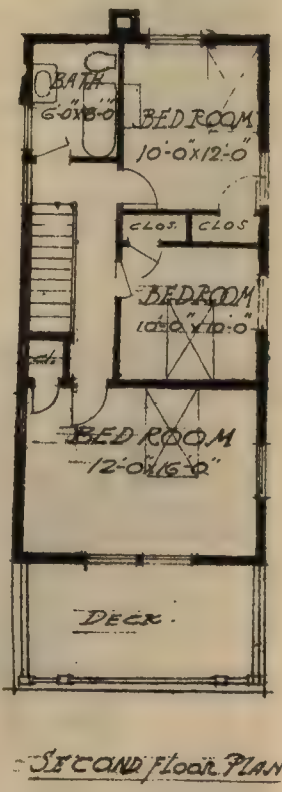
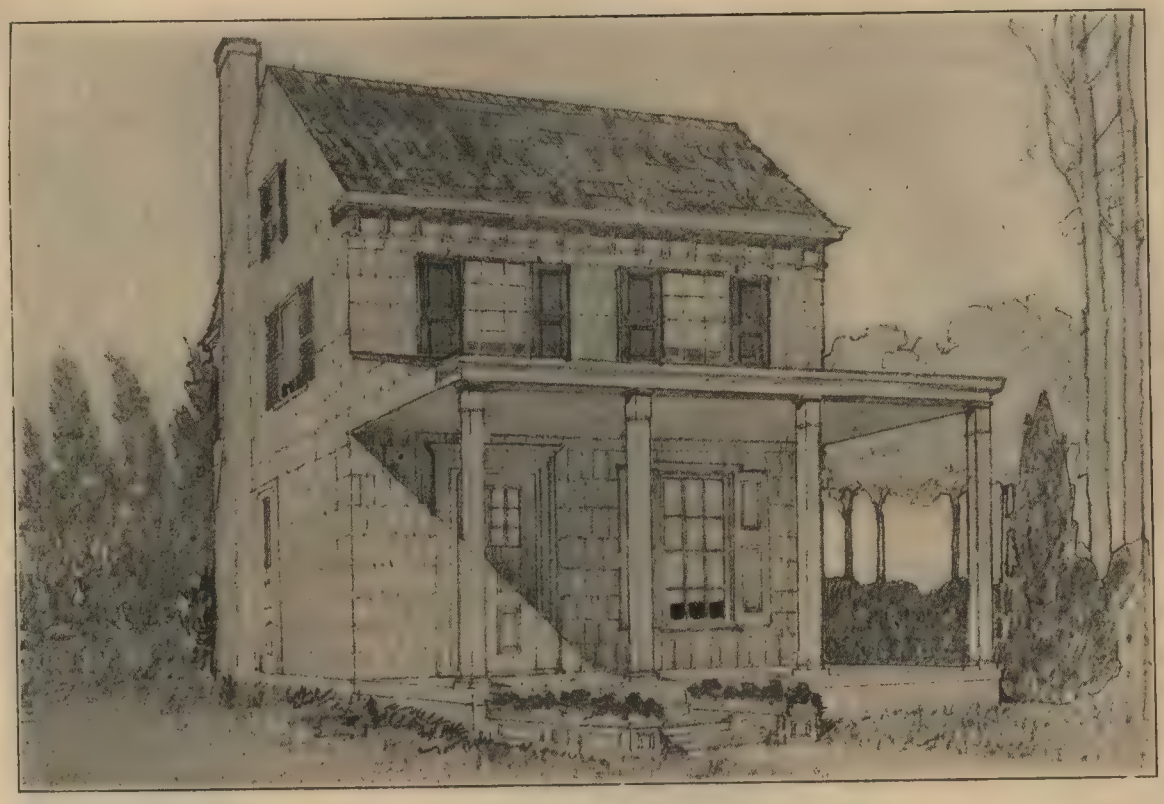


SECOND FLOOR PLAN

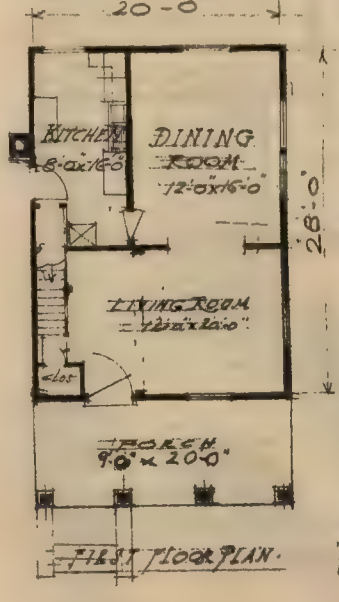
Own two of these houses and live in one rent free



Another Six-Room Cottage

THE "RIDGEWOOD" Model is true to type and reminiscent of the simplicity and charm that marked the best in early colonial days.

This roomy "little" house of six rooms and bath offers a complete solution of the home building problem. The twenty foot living room extending across the entire front of the house, opening directly into the large dining room, creates a spaciousness that is most unexpected in a house of this size. The combined kitchen and pantry is another feature to be noted, as the working space is well removed from the service door to the dining room. The second floor is equally well arranged, with three bedrooms, all of good size, with four good closets.

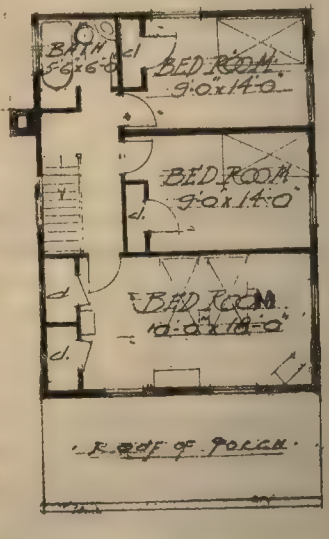


FIRST FLOOR PLAN.

The bathroom is cleverly placed over the kitchen, which is still another economy in the important item of plumbing. Seldom is it possible to find such a combination of economies in a small home of such marked character and interest.

The Bossert method of intensive production makes it possible for you to buy this house completely manufactured and ready for erection at a definite cost with no extras. Bossert buildings look better than the designs, and the saving in time over old method is equivalent to more than three months' rent.

Why not own a Bossert House and stop paying exorbitant rent? The floor plan may be increased or reduced in size without materially changing the architecture.



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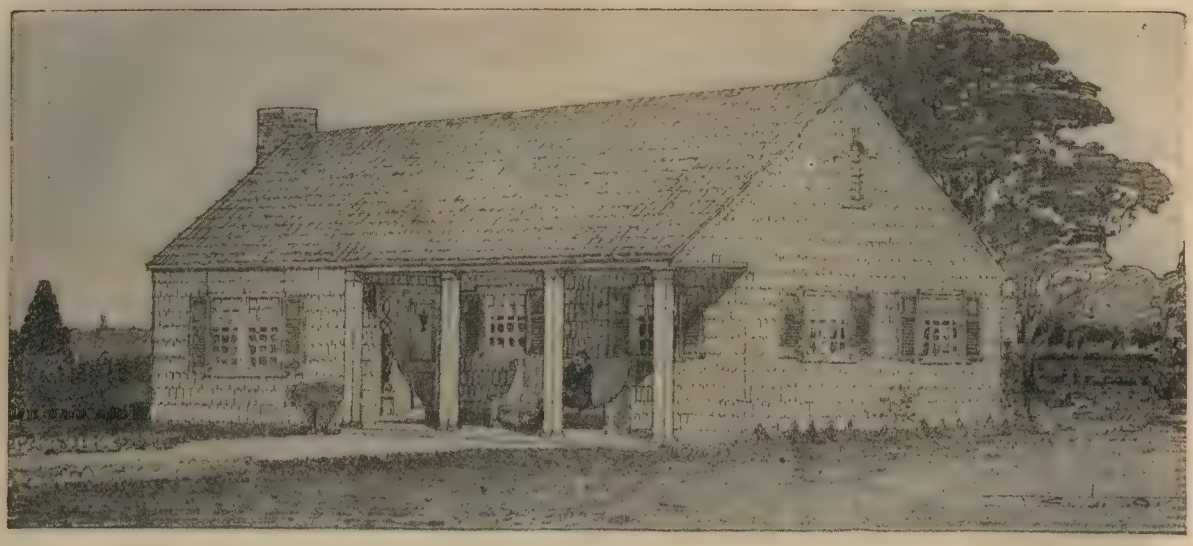


Chatham Model

May 9, 1920.

DEAR SIRS:

I have been very much pleased with your houses, and regret that I did not buy more of them at the time.

Yours truly,

DENIS O'BRIEN.

Amityville, L. I.

CONVENIENCE of arrangement and simplicity of construction, together with the simple but effective treatment which characterizes the Colonial style, combine to produce in the Chatham a dwelling meeting all the requirements of a five-room country house.

This type of house, without extensions of any kind, and the straight, uninterrupted roof surfaces, makes the simplest form of roof construction possible. One chimney suffices for both living room and kitchen.

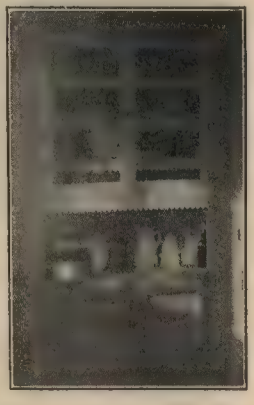
A passageway connects all the rooms, ensuring privacy for all the sleeping rooms, as well as an indirect passage from the living room to the kitchen.

The porch has a wood floor and is arranged to be one step above the ground.

The square Colonial posts and entrance door, with its solid panels and leaded glass side lights, are features to be taken into consideration when this model is contemplated.

The exterior walls are covered with large shingles with an 11″ exposure to the weather and are painted white. The roof is also shingled, stained.

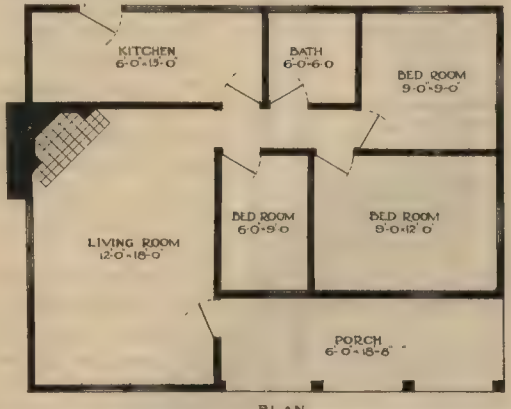
The interior of the house, including an overhead ceiling, is finished in plaster board and the interior trim of windows, doors, base, etc., are detailed to be in conformity with the style of the building.



The upper part of the house may be used for storage and this acts as a ventilated air space. The shutters are specially designed with green square solid panels in upper part and are suitably painted.

In the living room exposed ceiling beams may be used which would add to the effective treatment already given this interesting Colonial model.

If the house is to be erected without a cellar we would recommend a double floor.

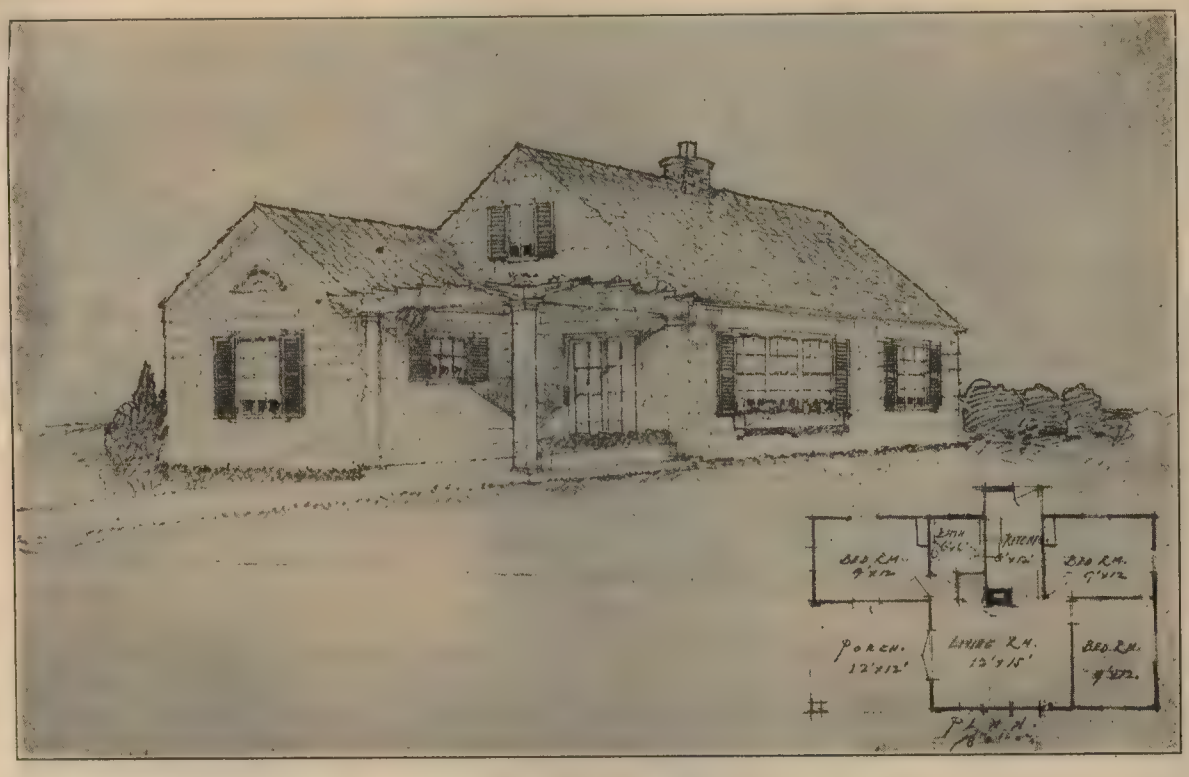


PLAN

THE BONNIE BRAE BUNGALOW
Spencer Avenue above 262nd Street
New York City May 17, 1920.

The little Bungalow you sold us last time is proving most satisfactory in every way. We are enjoying living in it. You may refer anyone to us you please.

A. LEWIS (Mrs. O. E. LEWIS).



The "Tuxedo" Model

AN attractive house to look at, a comfortable home to live in. And the price is reasonable. Considering its size, the abundance of space in the "Tuxedo" will surprise you. A family of five or more may live here in pleasure and comfort not found in many homes occupying considerably more space.

Notice the exterior. Isn't it attractive? With the pergola porch, which gives a decidedly individual touch, it is readily transformed into a charming sun-parlor or dining porch.

Observe, also, the group of windows which flood the living room with cheerful sunlight. Can you imagine a more inviting room? It measures 12x15 feet, offering an ideal arrangement for attractive placing of furniture.

The kitchen is conveniently placed and the bathroom adjoins, which means economy in plumbing. The bedrooms are of ample size and all have windows on two or more sides, which is unusual in a house of this size. A stairway is provided (on the left of chimney) to a roomy attic large enough for two rooms and good storage space. A dormer window may be built on either side of the roof for additional air and ventilation. The "Tuxedo" is a Bossert "Redibilt" house and is delivered to you ready to go together without delay, trouble or inconvenience at a definite cost without extras.

The erection can also be arranged for you at a definite cost and you can move in without giving the matter another thought. If you buy a Bossert House you can forget all home building troubles. Further information free on request.

LOUIS BOSSERT & SONS, INC., MAY 13, 1920.

GENTLEMEN:

In reference to the Bungalow I purchased from you. I also purchased another of your Bungalows from the government that was erected at Seagate, Coney Island. They give every satisfaction and I may state that one of them has been occupied all winter of 1919-1920, and as it was a hard winter, it is sufficient to say that they are quite weather tight in every respect.

You may use this as you see fit, and also use my name to further any sales you may be able to make as long as you keep up to the standard you have created.

Yours very truly, M. W. GUNTON.

16 Pratt Ave., Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

P. S.: Buildings are situated at Elm Road, Inwood Park Section, L. I.

MINNISINK PARK
Little Falls, N. J.,
MAY 17, 1920.

LOUIS BOSSERT & SONS, INC.

DEAR SIRS:

The four-room house which I purchased from you three years ago, for a summer home at Minnisink Park, has given us a great deal of comfort and satisfaction.

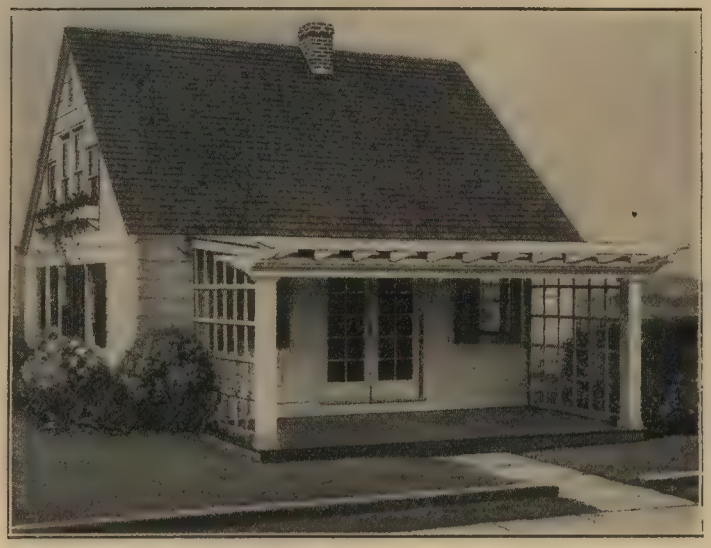
It has been occupied almost constantly ever since, the addition of wallboard and a chimney making it very comfortable for winter as well as for summer use.

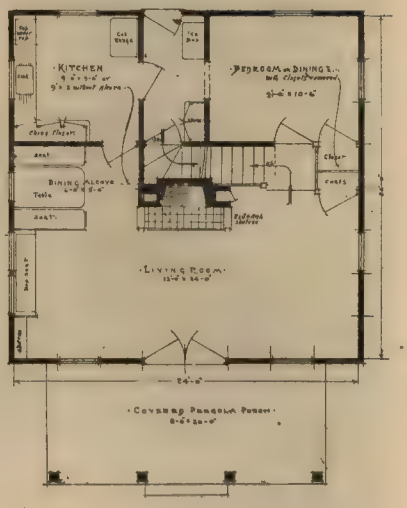
It has been very much admired by everyone who has seen it. I do not hesitate to recommend it.

Truly yours,

C. D. VREELAND,
(per E. S. V.)

Meadowbrook Model





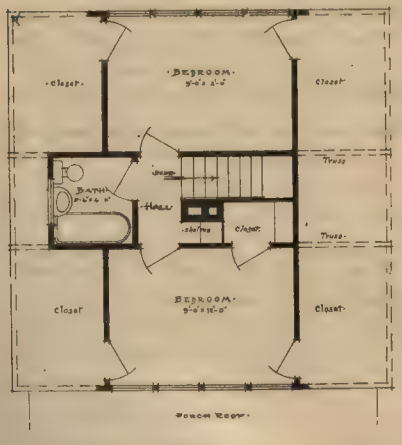
HERE is a new design offering an amazing number of ingenious variations both in plan and design, all of which are most economical, because the building, being square, the greatest amount of floor space is enclosed with the least amount of wall area. The two illustrations show that the front can be on the side or on the gable end of the building.

The front porch is of ample size and is made unusually attractive with pergola beams and flower trellises. From this porch handsome double French doors open directly into the spacious well-lighted living room, with very attractive fireplace shown in the center. The dining alcove on the left offers an ideal substitute for the dining room, which can then be utilized for another bedroom if required.

By carefully examining the plans you will find that the second floor bedrooms are not exposed to the roof; closets on two sides and an air space above insulate these rooms, so that they are not the usual hot upstairs bedrooms. Closet space is plentiful.

The shingles on the exterior side walls are exposed 11″ to the weather, producing the old Dutch Colonial effect. They are painted white, with two coats of paint, at the factory; blinds are painted green and are most attractive. The upper panels may have perforated motives—either small potted trees, birds, crescents or clover leaves, any one of which produce very charming effects.

The roof is shingles and stained green; interior trim is of cypress, which may be painted or stained; interior walls are of plaster board and may be painted or papered to suit individual taste. The construction of these buildings meet the requirements of the New York City Building Laws.



Thatch Model

IN this attractive model our aim has been to meet the steady demand for a small house at a small price. But the continued popularity of the Thatch is in no small measure due to its perfect combination of convenience and picturesque design.

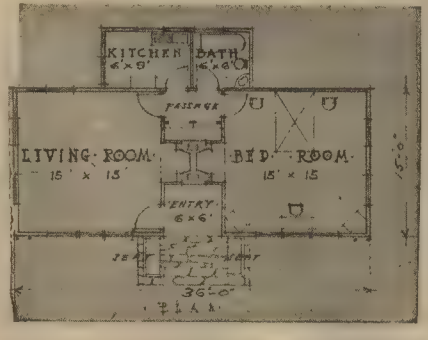
Study the two floor-plans below. Like all Bossert houses, the Thatch permits of various arrangements. Imagine either of these homes furnished to your taste. Every home-loving instinct is charmed by the picture of cozy comfort.

The living room is of ample proportions, light and airy. The centrally located fireplace provides heat for both living room and bedroom, saving the cost of an extra chimney. One large bedroom, with bath and kitchen in the rear; or two medium-sized bedrooms, with bathroom between, just as you prefer.

Can you conceive of a more delightful exterior for a home of this size? The unique porch, with its craftsman benches at either side, is a gem. A floor of brick or flat stones on a level with the ground gives this porch just the right finishing touch.

The exterior surfaces of the Thatch are constructed of ship-lapped boards, painted white and presenting a perfectly even surface. The finish, however, can be regular clapboards, shingles or stucco.

The roof is shingled, with shingles at the gable ends steamed and grooved over the edge—producing the pleasing effect characteristic of thatched roofs.



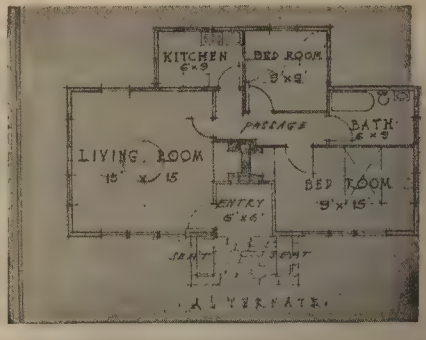
BLYTHEWOOD
BUNGALOWS AND COTTAGES
Greenwich, Conn.

May 4th, 1920.

We have your letter of recent date asking us about your houses.

Allow us to say that we have three of your houses permanently erected on our property on stone foundations with concrete cellars. They are most attractive and substantial and we have found them as warm this past winter as any of our other buildings.

BLYTHEWOOD SANITARIUM.



The Bossert Plan is a revelation in Home Building.

Lenox Model

HAPPINESS and comfort are at once suggested by this simple yet pleasing and dignified home. The broad expanse of porch, with its staunch columns and rustic bench, give the true home atmosphere even before we reach the attractive interior.

The main body of the Lenox is rectangular in shape, with a sweeping roof of pleasing proportions. The porch roof is built of separate sections. The wooden columns may stand on wood or masonry floor, as your taste may dictate. Three chimneys are suggested for a fireplace in each of the larger rooms, the kitchen range being connected with the central stack.

The side walls and roofs are of shingles, walls painted white. Roof stained green. Chimneys would look well if built of common red brick. Shutters are provided, as well as doors, trim and interior woodwork, including mantels.

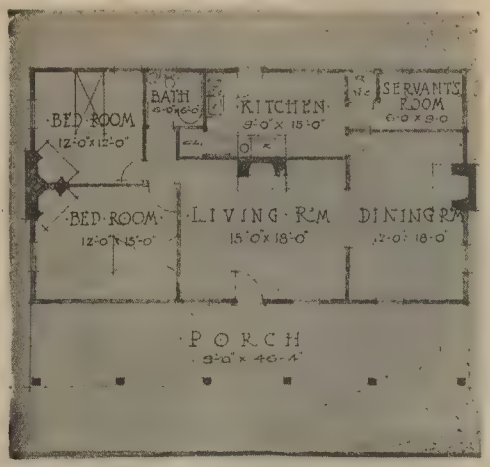
In the front of the house is a large and inviting living room, opening into the dining room on the right, and connected with the bedrooms by a rear hall. All the rooms are of generous proportions and arranged to assure complete comfort, convenience and privacy.

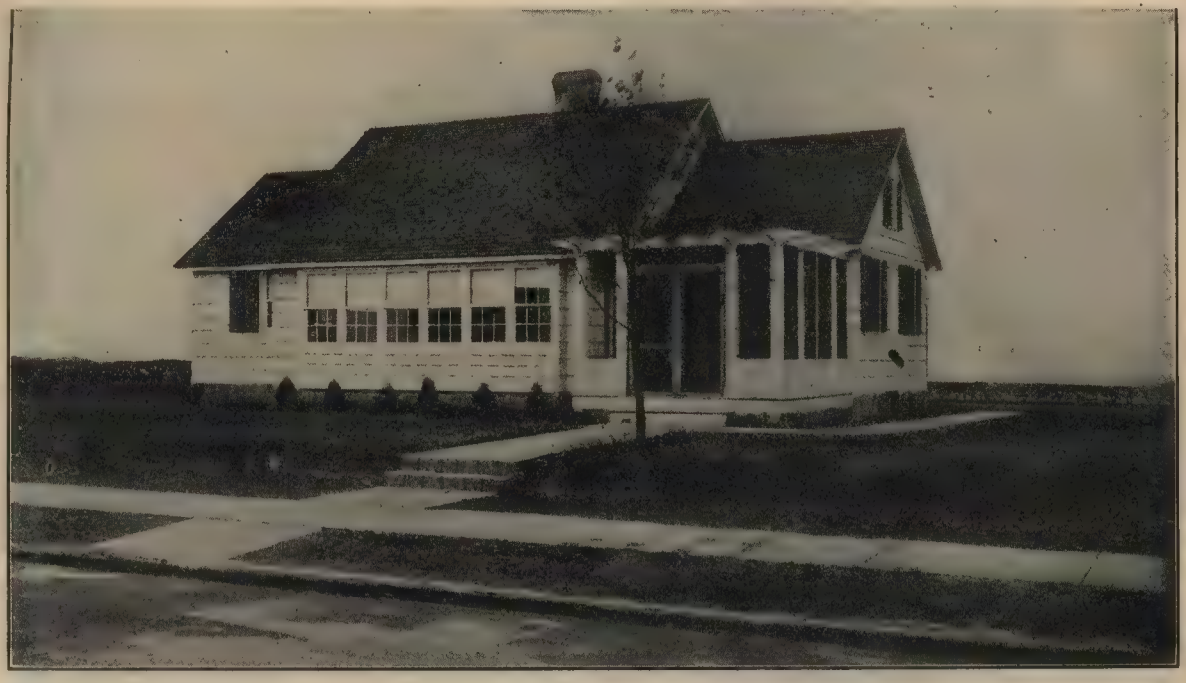
The Lenox is one of our most desirable models. Its simplicity and comfort-insuring arrangement appeal to every one.

If you want to make a careful estimate on the cost of erecting a Lenox home, ask us to send you complete specifications and suggestions on interior arrangements to fit your individual needs.

The Newtown model and Excelsior model purchased from you have given entire satisfaction in every particular and I take pleasure in recommending them to anybody requiring a good and substantial building.

A. L. Baumann.
5 Guyon Ave.,
Great Kills, S. I.





Jamaica Bay Model

EXAMINE this charming model carefully. Doesn't it radiate the true home atmosphere? Have you ever seen a more cozy or more conveniently arranged bungalow? Its harmonious lines blend attractively with the landscape—indeed a home that will win a second look of admiration from every passerby.

Notice the pergola porch, which gives a decidedly individual touch to the exterior. It is readily transformed into a charming sun-parlor at a very small cost.

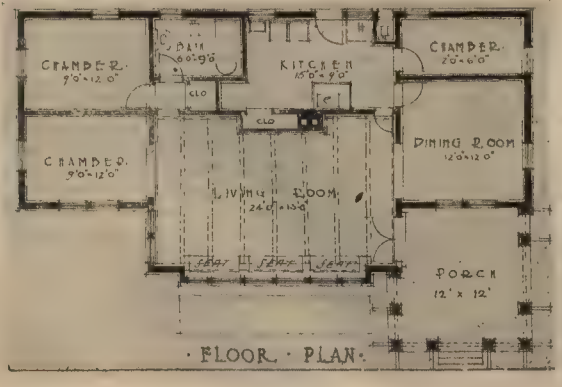
Observe, also, the group of six windows which flood the living room with cheerful sunlight. Can you imagine a more inviting room? It measures 24 x 15 feet, offering an arrangement of ideal proportions for attractive placing of furniture.

The dining room to the right is large and airy. It is connected with the living room by a large arch and also opens directly on the porch. There are three bedrooms, all of good size, and all having windows on two sides.

The kitchen is large, light and located properly to save the housewife unnecessary steps. The bathroom opens on a hallway.

Side walls are shingled and painted white. Roofs are of green shingles. Local field stones are suggested for terrace walls and chimney, and a brick or stone fireplace in the living room would be a most desirable feature.

The Jamaica Bay might well be named "The Sunlight Home." It is thoroughly modern and designed to permit its owner perfect freedom in expressing his or her individuality in the decorative scheme for the interior.



May 20, 1920.

GENTLEMEN:

Answering yours of May 14th, the Bossert house purchased last fall by me for gardener's cottage is, I believe, quite satisfactory. I know that it was assembled very rapidly, and in appearance it exceeded my expectations.

Yours very truly,

GLENN H. CURTIS.

Garden City, N. Y.

Long Island Farm House

GENTLEMEN:
The house that I bought from you in 1916 is still in good order. As yet it has not been transferred from its original site, but I propose doing so next year.
I will be pleased to recommend your houses to any prospective purchaser as the one I have has been most satisfactory.
Yours truly,
FELLOWES DAVIS, JR.,
424 Park Ave., N. Y. C.

HERE is a popular Bossert model with many good points worth careful inspection. The extreme simplicity of the design is most pleasing, suggesting comfort and refinement.

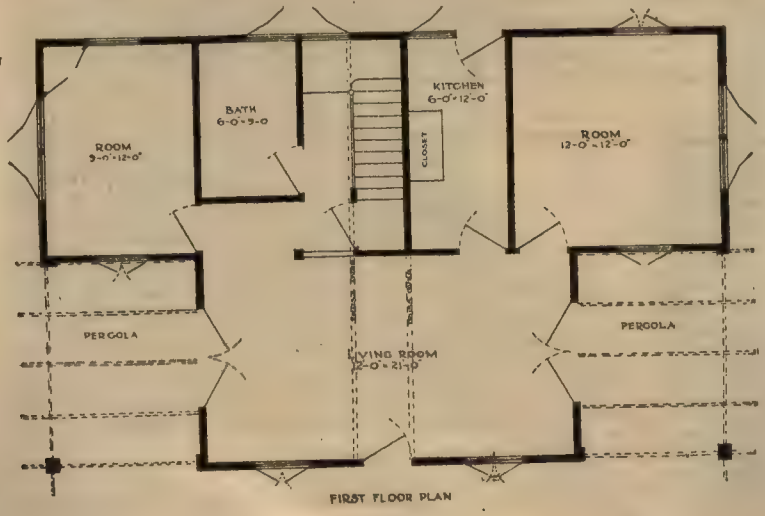
The interior will arouse your enthusiasm. At the front we find a light, cheerful room of unusual proportions, with double French doors at both ends leading to inviting pergolas.

Conveniently located in the rear are two commodious rooms, each with windows on three sides, a kitchen of convenient size, and a roomy hall leading to the stairway and bathroom. On the upper floor are two sleeping rooms, each 9 x 12 feet in size.

The rooms are lined with wall board, which may be finished in colors selected by the owner. The exterior woodwork requires but one coat of paint, as the priming coat is applied before it leaves our mills, and the shutters are painted green.

This model embodies all the good points of design and arrangement that have made the Piping Rock model on page 39 so popular. But it is constructed along more extended lines, making a home that will provide comfort and pleasure for a large family.

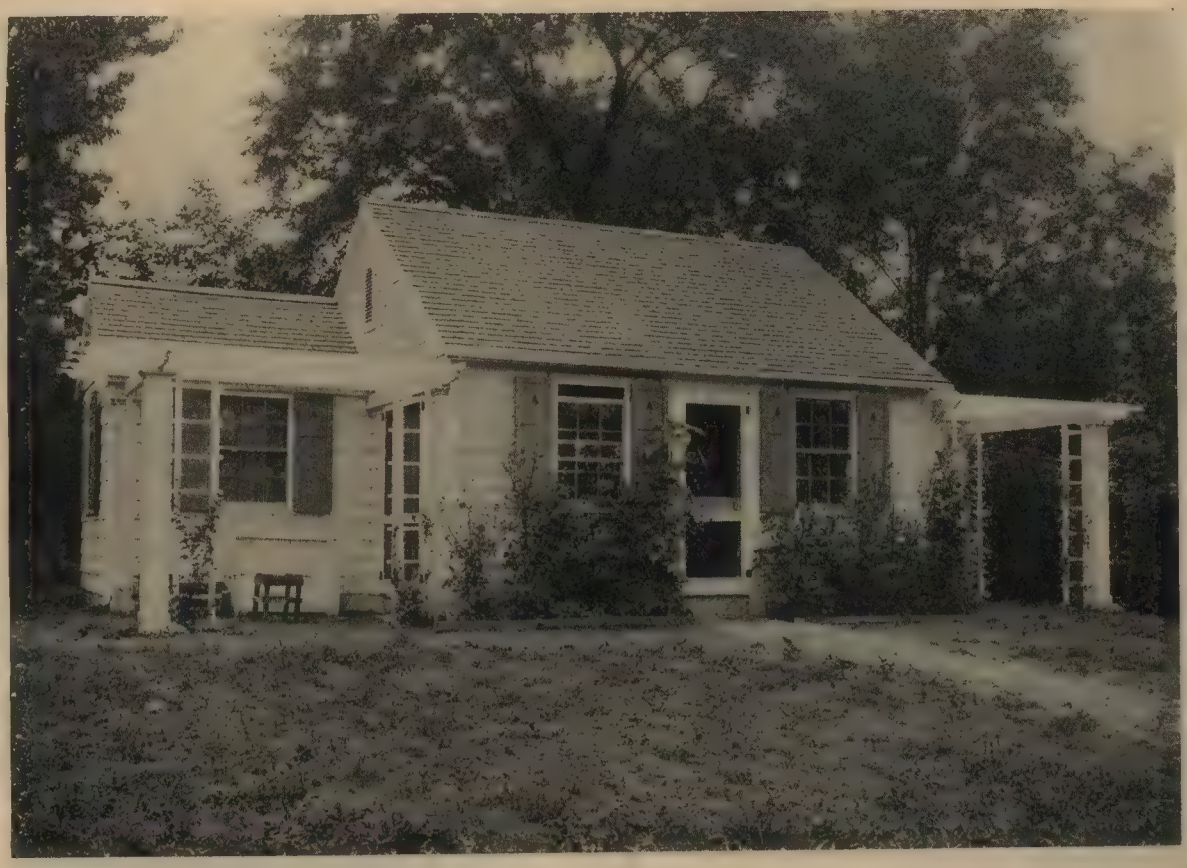
If you seek a cozy home, as attractive to the eye as it is comfortable and convenient, let us send you full information on the construction of a Long Island Farm House.



FIRST FLOOR PLAN

June 15, 1920.

MY DEAR SIRS:
Please pardon my delay in answering your letter of May 14th, but I wished to wait until I found how the house had withstood the winter. I am glad to say that it has come thru with no damage whatever, and that I am much pleased with it and very glad to have purchased before the rise in price which I see from your advertisements has been considerable. The house is regarded as one of the best looking in Woods Hole.
If I may offer a suggestion, in building for seaside places galvanized nails and hinges should be used. I shall have to replace the shutter hinges and renail two shingles in a year or so, as these rust thru in no time in this locality.
E. NEWTON HARVEY.
Woods Hole, Mass.



Piping Rock Model

THIS house has a frontage of 36 feet and with its unique arrangement of rooms it makes the ideal small home.

It is the "apartment in the country." Large enough for a small family. The housekeeping is reduced to a minimum, the bedrooms are of sufficient size and they have light and ventilation on three sides.

The living room also has the same window arrangement. Two sets of large casement doors open out on to two pergola covered porches, which can be paved; and have vines or awnings over to provide sufficient shade.

This house is a well built home and can easily be heated in the winter time. It has been awarded blue ribbons wherever it has been exhibited.

Above the main portion of the house there is a spacious attic, very desirable for a storeroom. If no cellar is built under this house we would recommend a double floor with paper between, which would add very little to the cost and make the building very much warmer in cold weather.

June 8, 1920.

GENTLEMEN:

A short time ago I received a letter from you asking me if the Piping Rock model house has been satisfactory.

Permit me to say that it has been very satisfactory, and its appearance has been commented on to a large extent verbally and also in local papers.

Very truly yours,

BURKE STONE, INC.
ALFRED B. STONE.

Hotel Gramatan Arcade, Bronxville, N. Y.

The country is the only place to bring up children

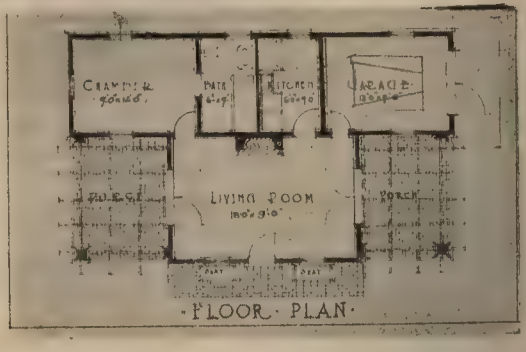
THE above photographs of the "Piping Rock" Model were reproduced in the December, 1920, number of "House and Garden." They show clearly and convincingly the beauty and charm of Bossert Homes in attractive surroundings.

Bungalow Dividends

Put your money into a summer Bungalow.

It will solve annual summer problems, and pay dividends for years to come. This one will save garage bills, too.

The "Piping Rock" with garage in one wing.



LOOK over the two floor plans carefully. They offer a convenient arrangement of artistic Colonial design that will appeal to you. Picture this home in a setting of vines, trees and shrubs. Isn't it home-like and appealing?

In the picture above one wing is utilized for a convenient garage. The plan provides for a chimney, which can be installed without any rearrangement of the walls.

The Piping Rock Model has been awarded many blue ribbons at exhibitions and fairs. But its highest recommendation is the enthusiastic praise from every purchaser.

It also has the advantage of a large attic, 18 feet square and floored. This gives ample space for storage and at the same time adds materially to the comfort of the home in hot weather.

The pergolas shown at either end of the living room may be floored with either brick or slab stone, which will lend a charm to the already artistic Colonial design. These pergolas may also be made into a floored, roofed and screened porch at slight expense.

Broad Channel, June 2, 1920.

Your letter under date of May 4th only just reached me. I hope my answer will not be too late.

This is our fourth season in our "Bossert House," and we certainly are well satisfied and never fail to tell all inquiring friends or acquaintances how good it is, how well put together, floors so firm and solid, and always call attention to the patent windows, allowing no sand to sift through during the winter as an ordinary built window will do.

We are very proud of our house, and if we ever again have occasion to build, we most certainly will have a "Bossert House."

If at any time we can recommend our house for your benefit in any way, we certainly will be more than glad to do it. No ordinary carpenter-built house can compare with it in any respect.

Box 50. J. H. GROVES.

Washington Model

THE Washington needs little description. It makes its own friends. For compactness and convenience it is a splendid plan for many purposes.

Notice the cozy porch, enclosed on three sides. It measures 6 x 12 feet. Fitted with comfortable outdoor furniture, it becomes the favorite gathering place of the entire family on warm summer evenings.

The double French doors leading from this protected porch open directly into the large home-like living room. Some owners of the Washington use this spacious 12 x 21-foot room for a combination living and dining room.

The price quoted on the Washington provides for living room partitions extending to the roof and overhead ceilings for all other rooms.

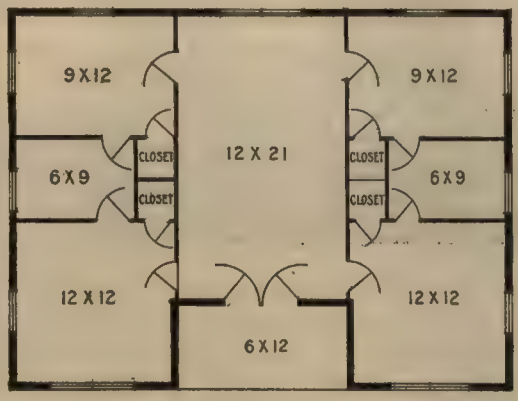
Where rooms are ceiling overhead a large storage space may be utilized with openings from the living room.

Besides the big family room described above, there are six additional rooms, all well lighted and ventilated. Four roomy closets are also provided.

This type of house may be added to without materially affecting the Architecture.

AS TWO-FAMILY HOUSE

It may be made into a two-family house by increasing the size of the center room and then dividing it into two living rooms. A double house of this size would also be useful on estates for housing gardener and chauffeur or other servants, or it would make an ideal overflow house for hotels or boarding houses.



It is a cottage of many possibilities, and it is only because the Bossert plan provides every economy in the selection and handling of materials that such an attractive home can be offered at such a moderate price.

2653 Harway Ave., Brooklyn.
May 25, 1920.

I cannot find words to express the comfort I have received in dwelling in one of your bungalows purchased about a year ago.

I fitted it up with electricity, gas, water, etc., and lived in it throughout the entire Winter and found it an excellent home.

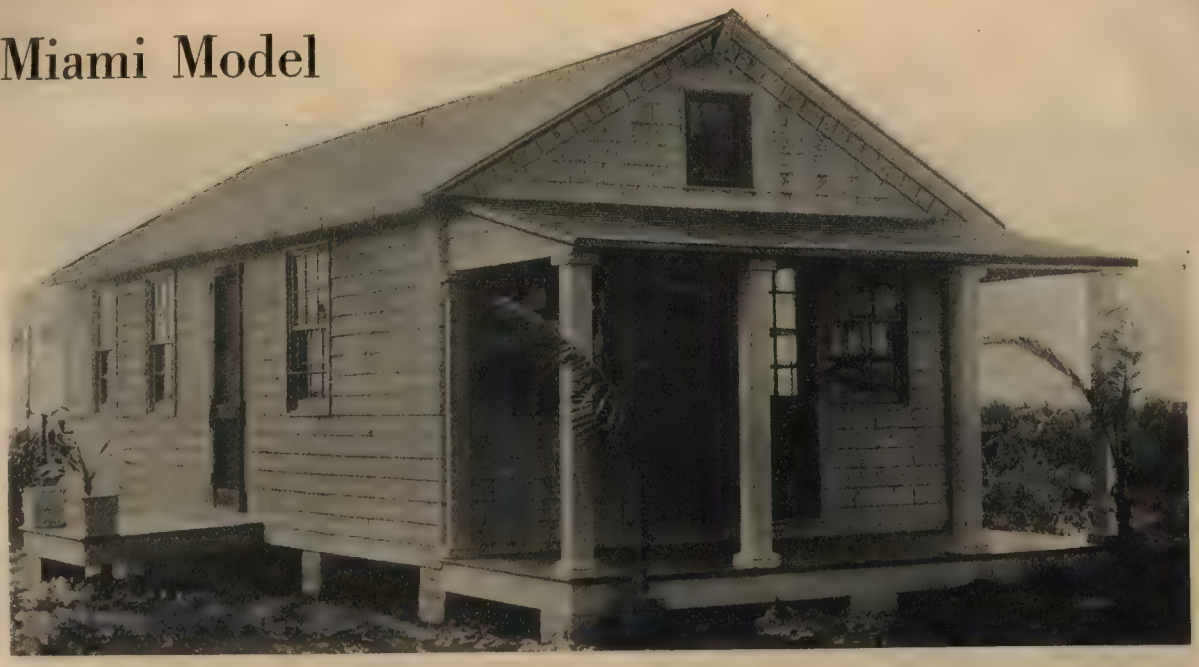
Let me remind you, it would afford me great pleasure to show this little home to any of your future buyers. JOHN DWYER.

Ramsey, N. J.
June 2, 1920.

In reply to your favor of recent date, would say, the Bossert house built for me last year has been occupied by me as an all-year residence and in which I have been very comfortable. I am quite satisfied with the house and have no hesitancy in recommending your houses to my friends.

Thanking you for the various courtesies extended to me, I am CECILE ISNER.

Miami Model



The "Miami" was originally made for Sunny Florida but it is an attractive little House for any location. It can be furnished in accordance with any of the plans shown on this page.

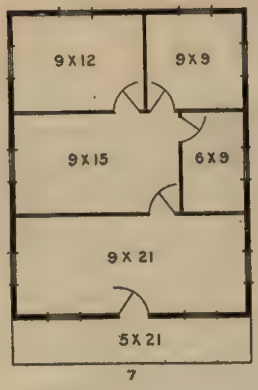
The partitions between rooms extend to plate line only, but ceilings can be furnished at slight additional cost. Sidewalls are shingled or clapboards painted white, roof shingles are stained green.

Speonk Model

Here is another trim little cottage, cozy and convenient, at a price that is only possible because we make them in such large quantities.

The Speonk is easily and quickly erected anywhere by unskilled labor.

Both the Speonk and Miami are constructed to serve for all-year-round residences. Shingles in natural finish are furnished instead of clapboards without extra charge when blinds are omitted.



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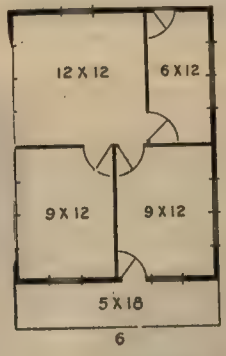

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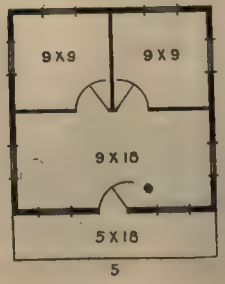

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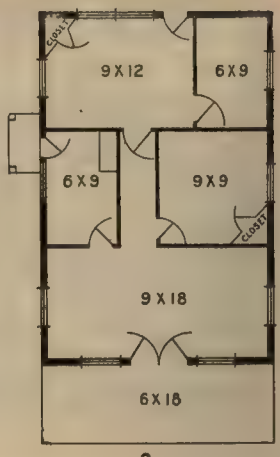

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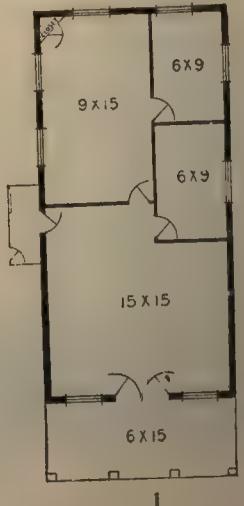

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Bossert Garages

TO provide proper housing for your car is both a convenience and an economy. And Bossert Garages are constructed to give the arrangement and protection from the elements that are totally lacking in the ordinary unlined building often used.

Bossert Garages are made of the same materials and are of the same careful construction as Bossert standard houses. They must not be compared with the many garages offered for sale under the names of Sectional, Portable, etc. Whatever has been said in this catalog about the strength, permanency and weatherproof qualities of the very best Bossert residences is true of Bossert Garages.

Bossert Garages are made with double walls with an air space and paper lining, producing that insulation which insures a cool building in summer and a warm one in winter. They are easily heated and are only comparable to garages of well constructed masonry, which cost a great deal more.

These Garages are painted any color desired before leaving factory, and may be had in any sizes in multiples of three feet. Pitch of roofs may be altered to match surrounding buildings at slight additional charge.

Bossert Garages may be arranged to contain the chauffeur's sleeping quarters. An ideal arrangement is the combination of garage and complete house for the chauffeur's family. On page 45 we show a model of this combination as erected on an estate on Long Island.

This idea of housing the chauffeur or his entire family in apartments at the rear of the garage has become quite general on many of the larger estates, and the rooms at the rear seem to be more satisfactory than those situated above the garage. In many cases a two-story garage would not harmonize with the other buildings on the estate. Any number of rooms may be added to accommodate not only the chauffeur and family but other help on the place.

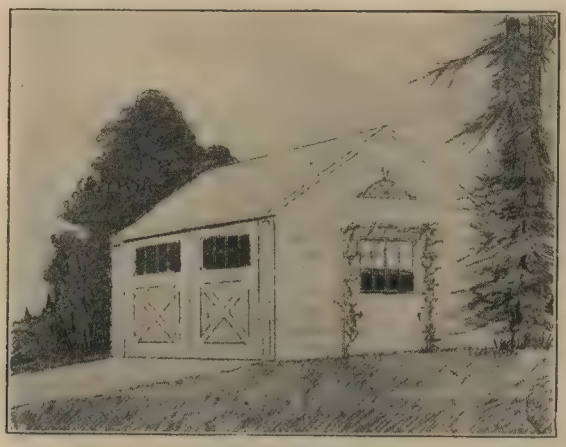
While Bossert Garages have been used, and are intended, for permanent garages on some of the finest estates, you will find that they are low enough in price to make their use in place of some old-fashioned, cheap and inefficient makeshift a real economy.

As they are easily taken apart, moved and re-erected any number of times, they are desirable for use on a rented place and their value in case of re-sale is exceptionally high.

In reply to yours of 30th ultimo I would say that I purchased a portable garage from you in 1915. It has given me perfect satisfaction, as lumber, workmanship, etc., appear to be of the highest grade. I am glad to recommend you to future prospects.
ARTHUR R. WENDELL, Rahway, N. J.

Bossert Garages are a portable asset

Bossert Garages



The Colonial

THE Colonial is an artistic model that will harmonize with attractive surroundings and designed for convenience.

The Colonial Garage is fitted with swinging glass doors and large windows, assuring good light and proper ventilation to carry out dangerous gas fumes.

Walls are of clapboard, painted one coat; roof of crushed slate. Furnished without floor, as floors of cinders or concrete are most desirable for buildings used for this purpose.

The Colonial is an attractive and serviceable Garage at a low prce, size 10 x 15 ft. inside measurements. They are carried in stock for immediate delivery and they can be lined if desired before or after erection.

While Bossert Garages are not fireproof, we have made up a number with plaster board lining, this lining being non-inflammable, equally as substantial and more pleasing to the eye than North Carolina pine ceiling.

Sliding doors may also be substituted for the folding ones at a small additional expense. Our regular swinging doors, however, are equipped with ball-bearing hinges, making them most easily handled.

Shutters or blinds add materially to the appearance of our garages, but are not included in the price quoted. Send us your Garage requirements and we will gladly quote you on any size or type to match existing buildings.

Three Car Garage

Bossert Garage and Chauffeur's House on Long Island Estate

Garage and Chauffeur's House

THE two illustrations of a combination garage and chauffeur's house shown on this page furnish a fine example of the elasticity of Bossert construction.

This building is a modification of the Piping Rock model shown on the two preceding pages. To give floor space for two cars, however, the proportions of one end have been extended.

The building as shown covers a total space of 18 x 45 feet, the garage occupying 18 x 18 feet. The portion of the house equipped for the chauffeur's family has a 9 x 18-foot living room, 9 x 15-foot bedroom, 6 x 9-foot kitchen and 6 x 9-foot bath. The balance of the space is taken up by the attractive pergola.

Roof and side walls are of shingles. Walls are painted white and shutters green, giving the house a very attractive and homelike appearance. The number of houses of this type in use testifies to their handsome appearance and superior value.

The trellis effect at the end of the house adds much to its charm, entirely concealing the garage when approaching the house from the right.

You will find a careful study of the details covering this model both interesting and profitable. They will be sent to you free on request.

Rear view of the above building. *For garages see pages 44 and 45*

Healthy Quarters for the Help on a Long Island Estate

Houses of Special Design

IN considering the Bossert models illustrated in this catalogue, it is important to remember that Bossert patented construction is as practical and economical for houses of special design as it is for our standard models. Your individual needs and personal tastes can be satisfied as fully as though all materials were prepared locally, and you reap the benefit of our time and money-saving machinery—receiving the materials in such form, save a big percentage of your labor cost, and your house is ready for occupancy in record time.

In the upper picture we show a building designed to house the special help on a Long Island estate during the summer months.

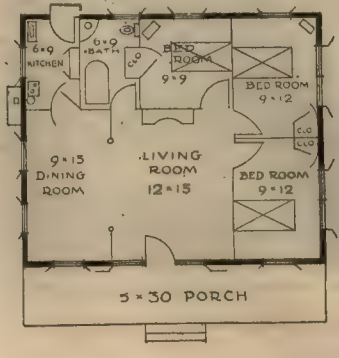
It would serve admirably the needs of a seaside or mountain resort for an annex to accommodate an overflow of guests at the height of the season.

The rooms may be arranged singly or en suite, and made most any size. It is staunch and snug. May be fitted with bathrooms and other modern conveniences. The extensive porch, with its overhanging roof, is sure to appeal to the guests.

Adirondack Model

AS its name implies, the Adirondack is a home for the woods and mountains or the seashore. Simple, yet attractive, it provides every comfort and convenience for a summer home or all-year-round residence.

Note the large, inviting porch, the 12 x 15-foot living room and the 9 x 15-foot dining room. A wide arch separates the living room and dining room, yet detracts nothing from the light, airy comfort offered by a double room of such spacious dimensions and decorative possibilities.



There are three bedrooms of good size, a bathroom and a kitchen. All are conveniently arranged. A summer spent in this home will be a summer of comfort and pleasure—days of happy freedom that no convention-restricted resort can offer.

The Adirondack is made of regular sections, painted in any desired color. An effective combination is secured by having the outer walls stained a dark brown and the roof painted red.

Price includes blinds, partitions which extend to roof, kitchen cabinet, rear platform for kitchen stoop and closets where shown in floor plan.

Club Houses

WHEREVER you find a Bossert-built Club House you will find a host of admirers of the Bossert method of construction.

This patented system permits of such freedom and flexibility of design and arrangement that every detail can be made exactly right for the peculiar needs of the organization—whether large or small.

And its desirable features do not stop here. As the club grows—as the needs of the members increase, or as changing conditions may dictate—additions and alterations are easily and economically made. This means a building that is always up-to-date and always convenient.

The model illustrated here has many commendable features. Note its harmonious proportions; the liberal provisions for light and air in every room; the commodious porch and the sturdy construction of the entire building. Every detail suggests freedom, cool comfort and hospitality.

The interior is equally inviting. A roomy lounge, with beam ceiling, fireplace and excellent floor space for cozy grouping of chairs, tables and settees. It serves perfectly its purpose as a gathering place for club members seeking comfort, rest and recreation.

Bossert experts will gladly help you plan a specially designed Club House to meet the needs of your organization—one that will blend with your club grounds and remain a lasting credit to your good judgment.

A brief outline of your general requirements will bring you interesting and valuable suggestions. You will find the Service Blank at back of catalog convenient for working out your ideas.

Bossert buildings are built before they leave the factory. They are merely erected at the site.

High Class Farm Buildings

BOSSERT-BUILT Farm Buildings of the better sort offer extraordinary advantages for the correct grouping of these buildings on estates and farms. This method of construction has never before been available for buildings of the substantial type illustrated. Moreover, the advantages do not stop here, for the Bossert method provides for the adding of additional units at any time without difficulty, delay, or inconvenience.

All of these Bossert structures are, as a rule, made in accordance with our standard construction, consisting of clapboarded side walls, shingle roof and double floors, if required.

The interior walls are usually of N. C. ceiling, and the famous Bossert air space between walls insures a building most easily heated in winter and kept cool in summer.

These buildings are desirable in every way for all year round use and can be furnished in almost any size required in multiples of three feet.

If you will send us a rough sketch and description of your wants, designs and estimates will be cheerfully furnished free of charge.

The solution of the Home problem means independence.

Some Bossert Bungalows from Various Sections of the Country

Hempstead Hospital

Port Washington Hospital

OFFICE OF SUPERVISOR
Town of Hempstead
Nassau County, N. Y.

Hempstead, N. Y., May 6, 1920.

Your letter of the 5th inst. received. The Town of Hempstead purchased one of your portable houses during the epidemic of 1916, for use as an emergency hospital and found same most practical and convenient. We have since made same permanent by adding interior ceiling, water, light and heat and are using it now as a permanent hospital building on our Town Farm.

HIRAM R. SMITH,
Presiding Supervisor.

M. C. UNDERHILL
Colonial Heights
Tuckahoe, N. Y.

May 5, 1920.

In reply to your letter of the 1st inst., would say that I did buy one of your buildings for the use of the Red Cross as a workroom during the war (both winter and summer). It was very satisfactory indeed.

The building has been disposed of since, but is being used by the Eastchester Relief Association in this village, and I know that they are more than pleased with the results. If under the circumstances I can be of any use I would be very glad to have you refer prospects to me.

M. C. UNDERHILL.

Hospitals

BOSSERT-BUILT HOSPITALS have never failed to make good with men who have made a scientific study of hospital construction. They have been used extensively by the United States and Italian Governments and by New York City institutions, both for isolated plants and for overflow patients from the larger hospitals.

Whether for permanent or temporary use, the requirements of a hospital are most exacting. They must be strong, weather-proof, permit perfect control of ventilation, be cool in summer and easily heated in winter. And they must be designed to afford the greatest amount of practical comfort for patients as well as every possible convenience for physicians and nurses.

Bossert Hospitals are designed by experts to meet these stringent specifications, and their universal use offers convincing evidence that they fill the requirements to perfection.

Because they can be quickly and easily erected anywhere from standard sections, which are always in stock for immediate shipment, Bossert Hospitals are particularly valuable for emergency cases.

Emergency calls for these buildings emphasizes the fact that no institution, either public or private, should be without one or more of these units.

The spread of a contagious disease may be checked by the isolation of the first patient in one of these emergency buildings, instead of placing them in the infirmary where other patients are apt to be infected.

Do not wait until an epidemic breaks out before securing such protection, but have it ready, equipped and waiting.

The buildings shown on this page, with many others, were furnished during one outbreak of a contagious disease.

The standard width of these hospitals is eighteen feet. They can be furnished in any length in multiples of three feet. We can also supply cottages for nurses and physicians, garages for ambulances and other buildings of this character when required for use in connection with these hospitals.

Bossert Hospitals are, of course, representative of the very best in Bossert construction. Double walls and double roof, with insulating space and lining, make them suitable for use in any climate and at any season. Yet they may be taken down, moved and re-erected any number of times without damage to any of their parts.

To any one interested in buildings of this type we offer the services of our experts in working out a plan to meet your requirements.

Churches

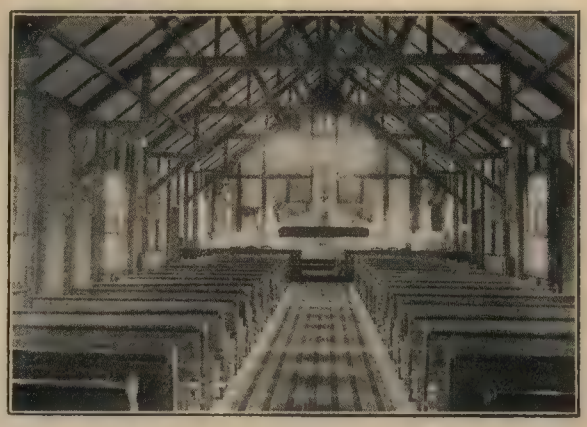
FOR the building committee seeking plans for a Church of moderate size, Bossert-constructed Churches offer the logical and economical solution of their problem.

As originally erected, the Bossert-built Church is a unit complete in itself. As the congregation grows, new units may be added—each one dovetailing with the preceding units, each adding to the beauty and to the harmonious ensemble of the greater structure.

The double wall with confined air space, characteristic of Bossert construction, assures to the congregation a place of worship which is cool in summer and easily kept at any desired temperature during the winter months. These comforts are important items to be considered by men and women responsible for selecting a meeting place of this character.

Church extension societies are finding Bossert-built portable Churches of particular value in connection with their work of organization in new and unknown fields.

The reason for this is plain to any one familiar with the Bossert method of construction.



It provides a building which may be taken down, moved and re-erected any number of times without damage to the structure.

Another advantage is that whenever a Bossert-built Church becomes too small for a congregation and must give way to an extensive structure of brick or stone, the original Bossert building retains practically its full value and may be sold to a smaller congregation, even in a neighboring city.

The Colonial Church shown on opposite page is designed in pure style, with an imposing central tower as the dominating feature. It can be built in a number of different sizes, according to the seating capacity required. A gallery may be provided if desired.

Bossert Churches have many distinctive features not found in other fabricated church buildings.

Patented shingle joints eliminate completely the appearance of sectional construction. Towers and steeples are made to harmonize with the rest of the building and windows are correctly placed for light and effect.

We also call particular attention to the interior treatment of these buildings, especially the architectural and harmonious effect of the trusses, which are placed every twelve feet throughout the building. Wall board for side wall and overhead ceiling also add to the effective treatment of the interiors.

In considering these models keep the important fact in mind that special requirements are provided for by the proper selection of units. Use the service blank in back of Catalog, and designs and prices will be furnished.

SACRED HEART RECTORY
403 Spring Street
Elizabeth, New Jersey
May 16, 1920.

DEAR SIRS:

The Church you built for us last fall is quite satisfactory and is all that you claimed for the building. We found it nice and warm during the past winter with very little steam heat.

From what I know of the building, so far, I take pleasure in recommending your firm.

Yours very respectfully,
FLORIAN WIDMAN.

THE DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND
Archdeaconry of Queens and Nassau
Garden City, N. Y., May 11, 1920.

GENTLEMEN:

Replying to your letter of recent date, I am glad to commend your portable churches to any persons interested and will say that I have found them very satisfactory in the past.

Yours truly,
ROY FARREL DUFFIELD,
Archdeacon.

CHESTER, PA.,
May 15, 1920.

MESSRS. LOUIS BOSSERT & SONS, INC.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

DEAR SIRS:

The Bossert portable school house which we put into service about the first of November, in 1919, has served our purpose well.

It makes an attractive school house, pleasant and comfortable for the occupants. Our dealings with the firm have been very satisfactory.

Yours very truly,
CHAS. A. WAGNER,
Supt.

Schools

BOSSERT-BUILT School Houses have been the first choice of well informed school authorities and Boards of Education for many years.

Like all other Bossert buildings for permanent occupancy, they have the patented double wall construction, making them easy and economical to heat in winter and assuring a cool interior in summer.

The very best of Bossert construction and building is embodied in the Bossert School Houses. Interiors are finished in natural wood, oiled, varnished or with plaster-board. Bossert School Houses have the cubic feet of air space carefully calculated to suit the required number of pupils and the window areas comply with the latest school requirements which also demand that the light comes over the children's left shoulder.

Opposite these windows are other windows placed high on the wall for ventilation purposes. In the building illustrated above the famous Astral windows were installed, they are not only easy to operate but they provide any degree of ventilation without draft. Coat rooms are usually arranged at each side of the vestibule.

Several kinds of heating apparatus have been specially built for these schools. They have given entire satisfaction.

That Bossert School Houses are most practical from every point of view is attested by the fact that they have received the approval of the New York City Building Department and are meeting the requirements of the State Boards of Education in many States.

They are made in different sizes, depending on the number of pupils, and are very attractive in appearance. As a matter of course, they are less expensive than buildings of stone or brick. Yet they offer absolutely the same comfort and protection, and have a high re-sale value if a larger building becomes necessary. This is due to the fact that they are easily taken apart, shipped and re-erected.

Prices and detailed specifications furnished upon application

Barracks and Dormitory Buildings

THE application of the practical and economical Bossert method of construction to barracks for the housing of large numbers of men was well understood long before this country entered into the great war.

The quickness with which Bossert structures could be erected, the durability and strength which gave them a permanent character, their flexibility, which permitted the adding of one unit after another, and the ease of removal for re-erection in some other locality, have made them universally popular with employers of large labor forces.

These buildings offer a complete and almost instantaneous solution of the housing problem, where workmen have to be housed at short notice in out of the way places. Where time is a valuable asset, they save their cost many times over, and they can be so constructed that one large building can be divided into several smaller permanent buildings at slight cost for additional sections.

During the war the U. S. Government utilized Bossert construction on a large scale. Bossert Barracks, Bossert Hospitals and Bossert Office Buildings have been erected all over the eastern part of the country, where the Government required not only the best in material and construction, but also the speedy erection of these buildings.

All of these Bossert structures are, as a rule, made in accordance with our standard construction, consisting of clap-boarded side walls, shingle roof, double walls, including roof and double floors.

The interior walls are usually of N. C. ceiling, and the famous Bossert air space between walls insures a building most easily heated in winter and kept cool in summer.

These buildings are desirable in every way for all-year-round use and can be furnished in most any size required.

The two-story barrack building, as illustrated, is one erected for one of the large shipbuilding plants. It is 21′ 0″ x 138′ 0″. Each floor is divided into sleeping rooms, each 9′ 0″ x 12′ 0″—twenty on each floor. A recreation room, size 18′ 0″ x 21′ 0″, is provided on each floor. Access to the rooms is from a hallway extending from the recreation rooms to ends of building.

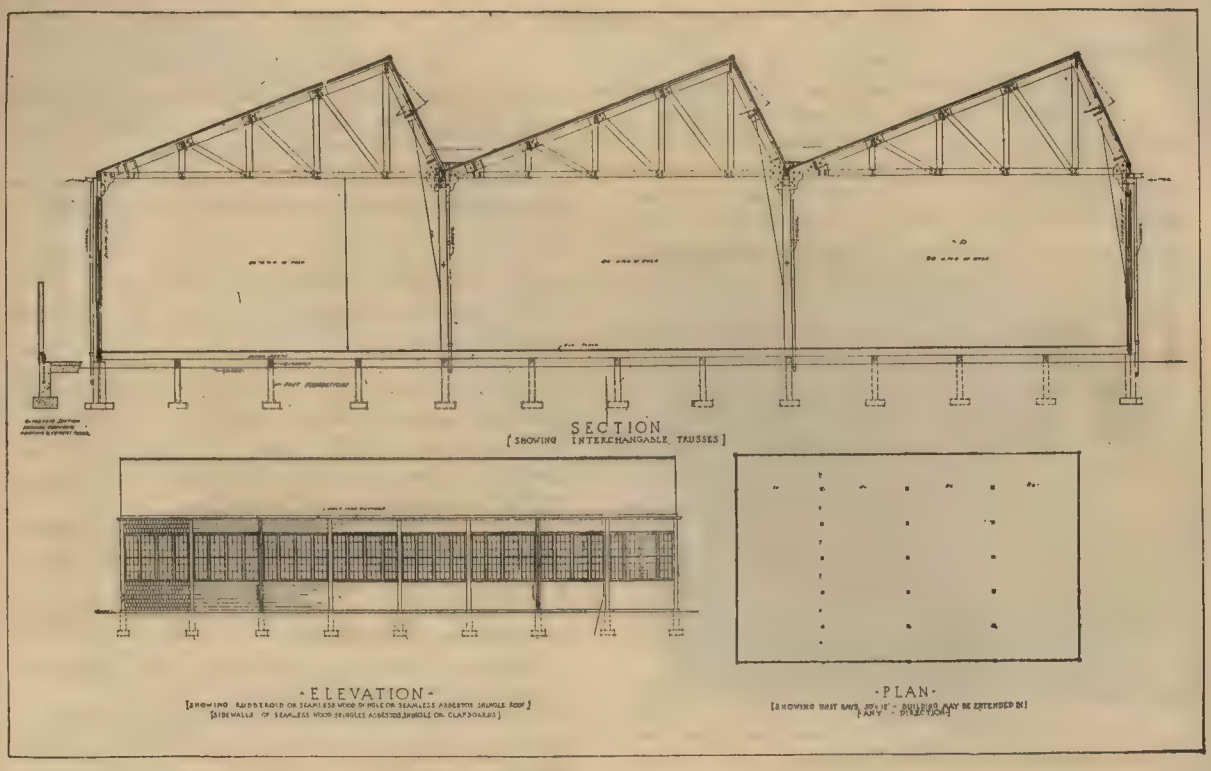
The interior finish is wall board, including the overhead ceiling. Head room on each floor is

8′ 0″. Inside communication between the two floors is by stairways from the recreation hall on the first floor to hall above. Two outside stairways, at either end of the building, give additional exits from the upper floor rooms.

The main entrance to the building is from a front porch, 9′ 0″ x 24′ 0″. The outside covering to the roof is slate covered roofing felt, applied after the building is erected. Priming coat of paint only applied to building before shipment.

Prices and detailed specifications covering buildings of this type furnished upon application.

Bossert Buildings are completely manufactured at the mill



Type No. 1

Bossert Factory Construction

Type No. 1

MAY be used for factories or other purposes. Are designed as standard units in bays of 30 ft. x 12 ft.

The important features of this type of construction which recommend it are as follows:

1. Can be assembled quicker than any other type of construction.
2. All parts, including trusses, are interchangeable.
3. May be extended in any direction without loss of any material whatever, as all parts removed are removed intact, and may be used in new extensions; or, entire building may be removed, with parts intact, and set up in a different location without loss of any part of the structure, and at minimum loss of time and small cost.
4. Engineering features carefully studied to conform to requirements of all Building Bureaus, including City of New York. Monorail cranes up to 2,000 lbs. capacity can be carried at any point on bottom chords of trusses.
5. Appearance substantial and pleasing.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Clearance under trusses is 15 feet; this may be varied.

All structural material is of yellow pine, excepting connection plates, which are of white oak.

All sash and side walls are of wood; sash is sliding or hinged as preferred. All upper sash operated by device from below.

Foundations according to requirements and local conditions at site. Wood posts with wood floors or concrete foundations with cement floor provided for, as desired.

If wood floor, same is sectional in three-foot widths up to 15-foot lengths.

All detailed arrangements made for gutters and leaders; same will be furnished on special order, if desired.

Roofing of rubberoid, or other ready-to-apply roofing.

All woodwork to receive two coats of paint. Standard office partitions furnished on special order.

Type No. 2

THESE buildings are designed primarily for factories, but may be used for other purposes, such as meeting halls, gymnasiums, theaters, skating rinks, etc., etc.

As in Type No. 1, all parts are standard, and the standard units are in bays of 30 feet x 12 feet, and in certain cases, where no interior loads such as cranes, etc., are to be applied to the trusses, the space of the trusses and columns may be increased to fifteen feet.

The paramount features of this type of construction which make it preferable to other forms of construction are:

1. Speed of construction and erection.
2. Interchangeable parts.
3. Future extension is made easy, without any of the old material being scrapped, as all parts removed may be incorporated in the new work without alteration; they have therefore a permanent value.
4. The engineering features have been carefully studied and the building made to conform to the requirements of all Building Bureaus. Special features requiring attention are given careful consideration by trained engineers. Traveling crane runways and crane runway columns are provided if specified.
5. The external treatment of the building can be varied somewhat according to conditions, requirements and use of materials.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

All structural material, including side wall and roof sections, are of yellow pine, excepting connection plates, which are of white oak.

All sashes are of wood, operated by a device from below, the sash may be sliding or hinged, as preferred.

As illustrated the clearance under the main trusses is 21′ 6″ and under the side trusses 12′ 3″. Under certain conditions this may be increased slightly.

Foundations may be on wood posts, concrete piers, or concrete walls, according to requirements or local conditions. Wood floors or concrete floors may be used, as illustrated. If wood floors are used the same are made sectional in three-foot widths, in lengths up to fifteen feet.

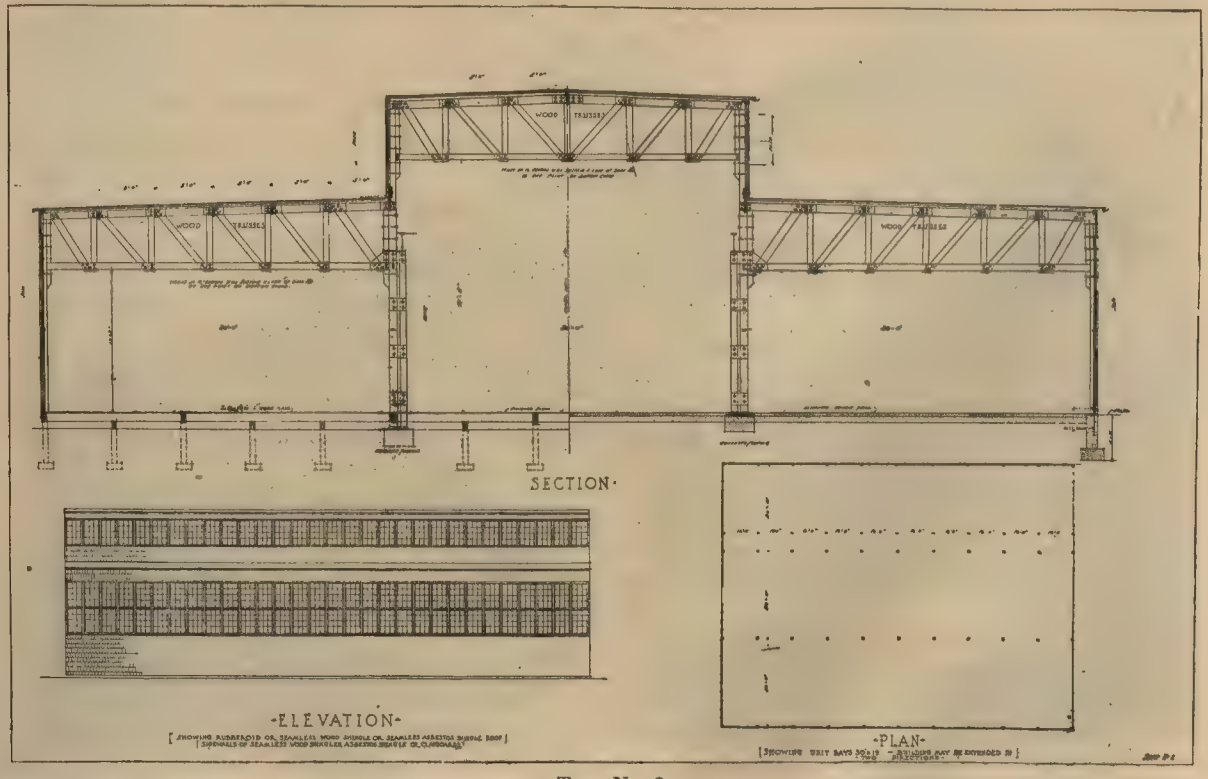
Proper provision has been made for the installation of gutters and leaders and the same will be furnished on special order if desired.

The roofing is of rubberoid or other standard prepared roofing paper.

Quotations made on standard office partitions, same to be furnished on special order.

All architectural and engineering features of a special nature are given careful attention and each building separately planned to meet all requirements.

Special attention given to all requirements of planning in each case.



Type No. 2

Summer Houses, Pavilions and Gardeners' Houses

With Many Variations Can Be Evolved From the Plan Units Shown on the Following Pages

NO large estate is complete without one or more of these charming summer houses. They are a source of constant joy to the kiddies, and the grown-ups find them a welcome refuge on hot summer days.

The model illustrated below is enclosed on three sides, fitted with numerous French casement windows which swing out to invite the breeze from any point of the compass. Houses of this design provide cool comfort at any hour of the day.

In England these attractive buildings are used as Garden or Tea Houses, and as Grand Stands near Tennis Courts.

Even on a side or rear lawn of moderate size one of these inviting summer houses will add a pleasing decorative touch to its surroundings, while the comfort and enjoyment it provides make its moderate cost a secondary consideration.

Picture one of these charming retreats on your own estate, nestling among the trees and fitted with rustic furniture.

May 13, 1920.

GENTLEMEN:

The combined gardener's cottage and garage which I purchased from you has met my requirements most admirably.

Yours very truly,

ALONO E. COTTIER.

Southlawn, Scarsdale, N. Y.

GENTLEMEN:

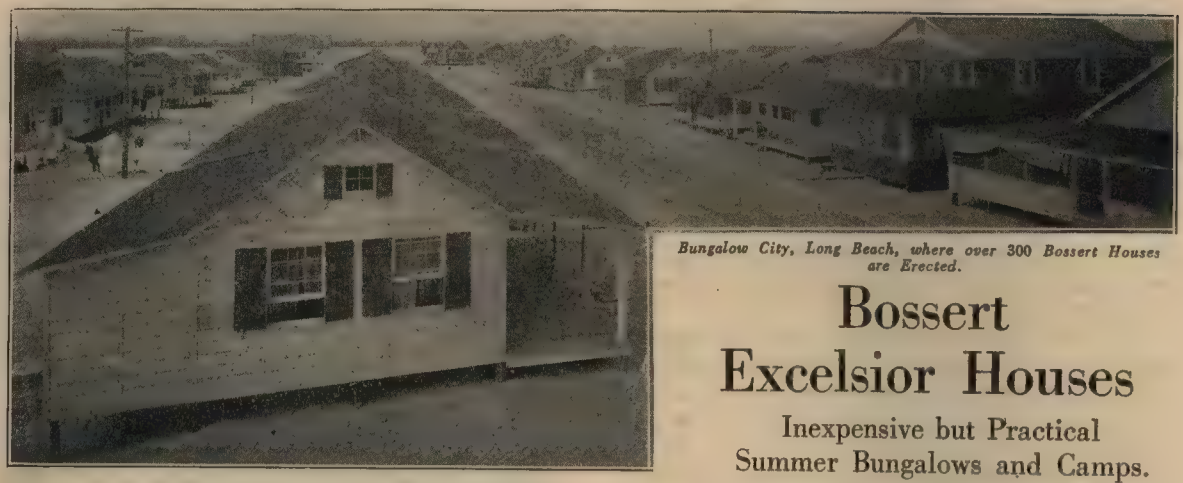
The house which I purchased from you a few years ago has been extremely satisfactory. My gardener tells me it was comfortable in the severest winters.

It gives me pleasure to recommend your houses for both comfort and beauty.

Very sincerely yours,

"Elibank." MIRIAM E. MURRAY.

We build these useful houses in many designs and sizes. Write us for prices and complete descriptions.



Bungalow City, Long Beach, where over 300 Bossert Houses are Erected.

Bossert Excelsior Houses

Inexpensive but Practical Summer Bungalows and Camps.

THOUSANDS of city folk could be the proud owners of one of these delightful summer homes for the equivalent of cottage rent for two single summers. What further argument is needed to avoid the bugbear of cottage hunting in obscure locations where makeshift conveniences and discomfort are inseparable companions?

How often have you dreamed of a cozy summer home for your family?—A picturesque bungalow nestling in the fragrant woods—up in the mountains—close to the shimmering waters of a breeze-kissed lake—or at the seashore.

How the kiddies would enjoy it! How those romps in the fresh air would sharpen their appetites and bring strength and vigor to their growing bodies! And what a joy to be free from the restrictions, inconveniences and expenses of a crowded hotel—to enjoy home comforts and the unconventional outdoor life at the same time.

No Skilled Labor Required

Bossert Excelsior Houses, illustrated on the following pages, enable you to transform this dream into a joyful reality. They are especially designed to meet the growing demand for inexpensive dwellings that are staunch, roomy, comfortable and easily erected by unskilled labor.

Ready for Occupancy in 48 Hours

Excelsior Houses should not be confused with Bossert Standard Houses. However, they are built substantially of selected No. 2 stock.

We ship them to your favorite vacation spot completely finished—in sections of convenient size for handling. Even the doors and windows are hung. Two men, with no experience, can have an Excelsior House ready for occupancy in about 48 hours. You'll find real fun in helping on the job yourself.

Substantial Roll Roofing

The roof covering furnished is slated roofing felt. It is supplied in convenient rolls, with all necessary nails and cement. Applying it to these houses is a quick and simple operation.

Exterior woodwork is finished with either one priming coat of paint or a creosote stain. This latter finish, which preserves the wood and adds to the rustic charm of a summer home, is the most popular. It is equal to two coats of paint. If, however, your home is to be erected on the seashore, paint may be preferable.

Can be Adapted for All Year Use

Interior doors are not furnished for Excelsior Houses except where shown on the plans. Interior partitions go to plate line only. However, if it is desired to equip an Excelsior House for year-round use, it may be lined throughout with wall board and fitted with additional accessories at slight expense.

Any Kind of Foundation Used

Excelsior Houses may be erected on any kind of foundation, such as posts, brick or cement pillars, or field stone. If posts are desired, price will be furnished on application. The usual methods of plumbing and wiring are used in Excelsior Houses. We do not furnish these materials, as they are staple articles secured locally to best advantage.

Any Size Possible

Excelsior Houses may be had in all sizes. The attractive models illustrated have many points to recommend them. They combine convenience, comfort and low cost. But they can be easily altered to meet individual requirements as to size or arrangement. All models shown can be made any size in multiples of three feet.

Shipped by Automobile Truck

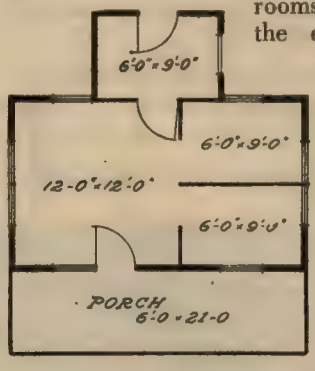
If your Excelsior Home is to be erected within a reasonable distance of our plant, it can be shipped by truck. This simplifies handling and assures a considerable saving in time. Full directions for erection are furnished with each house.

Use Service Blank in back of Catalog, to plan your summer home, or telephone your order for a Stock Model.

Pocono Hills Model

THE Pocono Hills is without question the most popular summer bungalow on the market. Study the illustration carefully. Isn't it charming, with its inviting porch and wide overhanging roof? Picture this cozy house by the seashore, furnished with all the comforts of home, awaiting your family each spring when the stifling air of the city makes life in an apartment unbearable. There are few summer colonies which do not boast of one or more of these sturdy Pocono Hills bungalows.

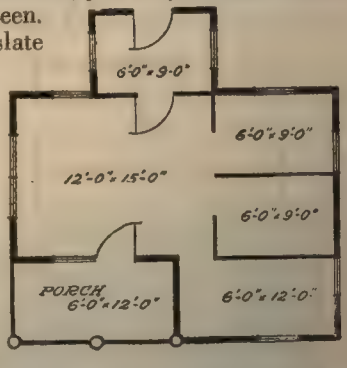
Two floor plans are shown—one with four rooms and porch extending the entire width of the house — the other with five rooms and a porch protected on one side. Many other arrangements equally desirable are possible. Size and number of rooms depends entirely upon your needs and preferences.

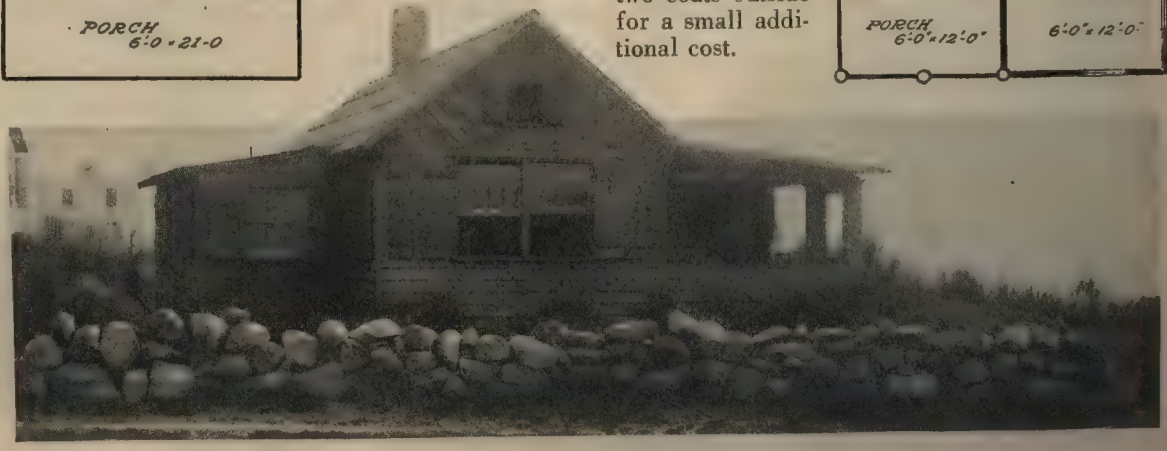


Observe the ample provision for cool comfort in the Pocono Hills—large windows which catch the cooling breezes from any point of the compass. And when you close the house for the winter, the solid shutters seal it tight, assuring complete protection in the worst weather.

Any two persons can quickly erect this Model. Simple instructions are furnished. No expert help is required.

The outside is either painted one coat or stained with brown creosote stain, just as you wish. Shutters are stained green. Roof of crushed slate roofing is shipped in rolls. All necessary cement and nails are included. If you wish, the house will be painted two coats outside for a small additional cost.



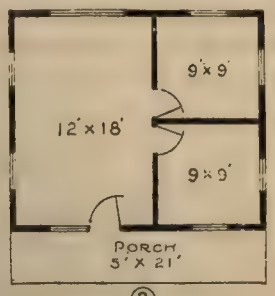


Sunset Model

THIS beach house is another example of the extraordinary flexibility of the Bossert Plan. Almost any number of variations are possible both on the exterior and the interior. The illustration shows an extension which may be added to any of the floor plans shown below, which are all arranged in multiples of three feet.

These summer cottages are light and airy, and provide maximum comfort for the minimum of cost and upkeep. They can be delivered or shipped to your favorite location and, if within a reasonable distance of New York, they can be erected without trouble or inconvenience to the purchaser.

Spring orders, however, should be placed early to avoid disappointment.



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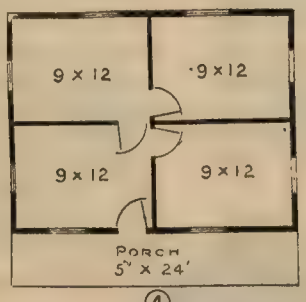

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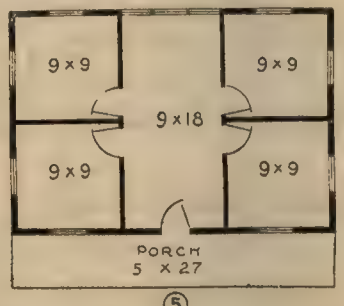

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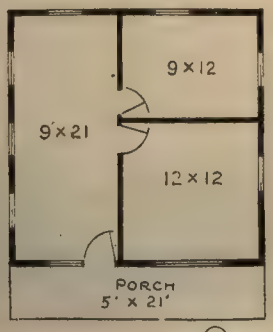

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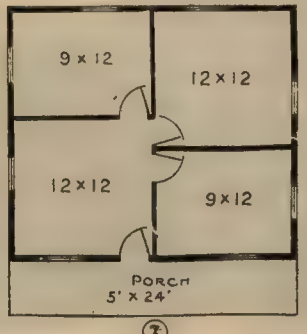

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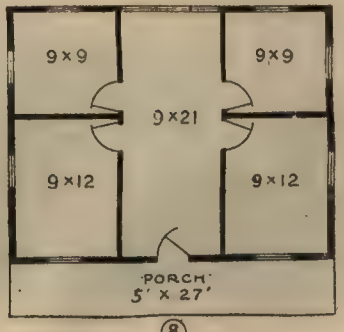

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Long Beach Model

THE Long Beach is somewhat larger than the Sunset plan and is another example of the elastic nature of Bossert construction. The rooms in this house, as shown by the photos, are lined and ceiled, the panel strips forming a neat and effective finish. This house can be furnished with a simple staircase to second story, where there is space for two good bed rooms and generous storage accommodation.

The general description is the same as the Sunset Model, and if you like this house it is only necessary to indicate the room arrangement desired on the service blank at back of catalog, prices and full information will be furnished with delivery date and cost of erection if desired.

NEW YORK, May 24, 1920.

Louis Bossert & Sons, Inc.

Dear Sirs:

The bungalow we bought from you has been a source of wealth, to myself and family, and a good many friends who have visited it and spent their vacations there, because it has given real life and real health.

My bungalow is situated at East Setauket, Long Island, overlooking the bay and Long Island Sound.

My wife has it so arranged inside that it is just a doll's house, so you can readily see the benefits she is deriving from it. Its name is "Rest-a-While."

It has stood the strain of a very severe winter and heavy windstorms.

We are positively and absolutely pleased and can recommend same to any one, also the kind treatment you gave to me when I purchased it. When I bought it and signed your papers, I asked promises which you absolutely lived up to, and two weeks after buying, same had been shipped 52 miles, and we were living in it.

You are at liberty to have any one see it, or anyone can communicate with me at my business, or at my city home in Flatbush. I am

Yours very truly,

THOMAS C. CARDWELL.

"Rest-a-While," East Setauket, L. I.

Bedroom in the "Long Beach"

Living Room in the "Long Beach"

Lawrence Beach Model

Two More Beach Houses

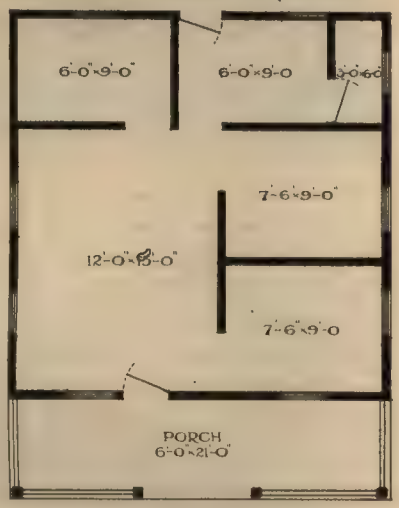
THESE are two very popular designs that have found much favor at the beaches. As in the other models, they can be made of almost any size in multiples of three feet, according to requirements of purchaser.

By raising house slightly and putting lattice work underneath it adds greatly to its appearance and makes the house look much larger.

Side walls are clapboards, painted white; blinds are green and the roof is green or red slate surface roofing, which is of good appearance and lasting qualities.

The interior arrangement shown on the floor plan has proved to be most convenient and practical, but it is merely suggestive, as almost any arrangement of rooms can be obtained to suit various family requirements.

The partitions are figured to plate line only, and as there is good head room the rooms can be ceiled over and a good-sized storage attic provided.



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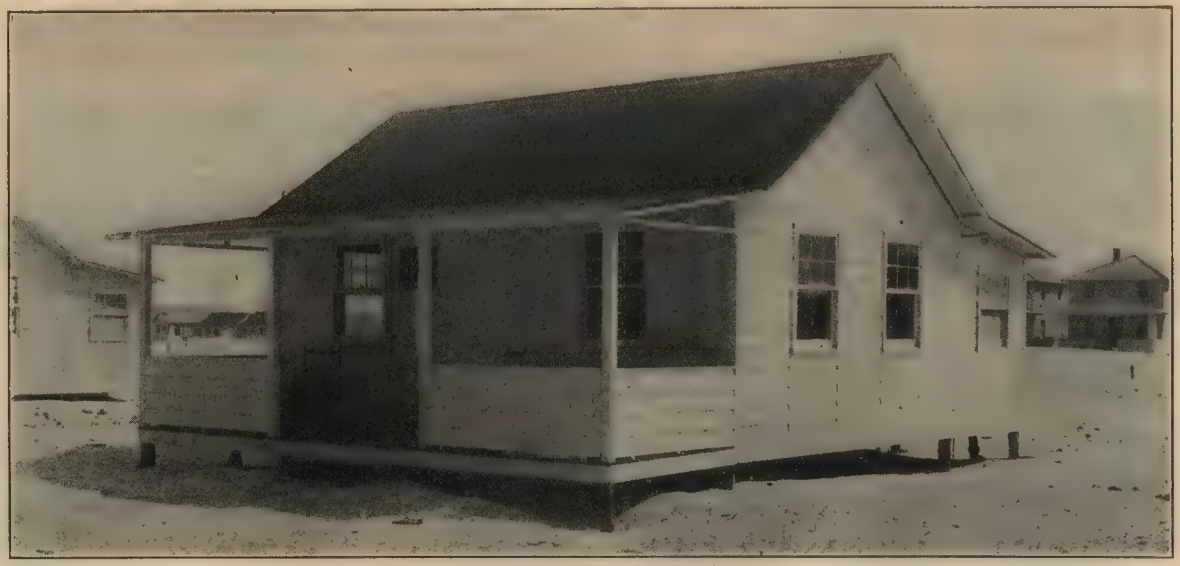


West End Model

Colonial Model

THIS charming model has a host of admirers. It is delightfully attractive, cozy and convenient—a summer home of unusual merit. You will find Colonial Excelsior Houses nestling on the seashore, near beautiful lakes and on the mountain side in all parts of the country.

The convenient arrangement of the interior will please you. A large, inviting combination living and dining room and three other rooms of good size—all well lighted and ventilated.

Here is a building that will house your family comfortably and provide accommodations for week-end guests. It can be enlarged readily as shown by the extension in the picture or it may be altered to provide the arrangement that will assure a maximum of convenience for a household of any size.

Prices include one coat of paint on exterior walls; slated surface ready roofing, blinds and trellis work, as shown. Partitions go to plate line only. No ceiling or steps included.

The Colonial can be erected quickly and easily by two men with no previous experience. The simple directions we furnish show exactly how to handle each part of the work.

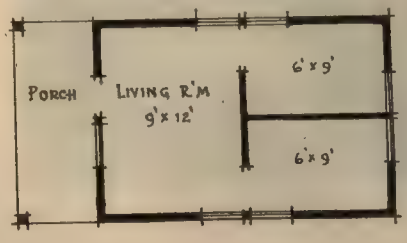
Plan (without extension)

California Model

Here is a little summer home that fills a long felt want. Just a living room, two bedrooms and a porch, but just as comfortable and attractive as the picture shows it to be.

The rooms can be arranged to suit your own ideas and a kitchenette can be added if desired.

Think of the real health and enjoyment this little building will provide for many years to come at a price within the reach of all.



No matter how inaccessible your favorite spot may be, this house can be shipped and erected in a few days by unskilled labor without trouble or disappointment.

One of these buildings is used all the year round for housing patients at a sanatorium in Connecticut. It has a stone foundation, is lined with wall board and has steam heat. Porch railing and steps are not included in price quoted.

Erecting a Bossert "Redibilt" or "Excelsior" Building

Two Side Sections Being Placed in Position

Erecting Gable

THE following illustrations show how easily and quickly any Bossert "Redibilt" or "Excelsior" building is erected by two or three workmen—without the aid of skilled carpenter labor. Whether two or more workmen are required depends on the size of the building and the time allowed for finishing the work.

Foundations for Bossert buildings are the usual posts, piers or cellar walls.

After the sills have been squared and leveled the floor beams are dropped into place in the round openings which have been cut for them.

You are now ready to commence the erection work. First the side walls are placed in position, as shown in illustration No. 1, with two sections on a corner, one of which has been attached to a corner post, the two sections forming a right angle.

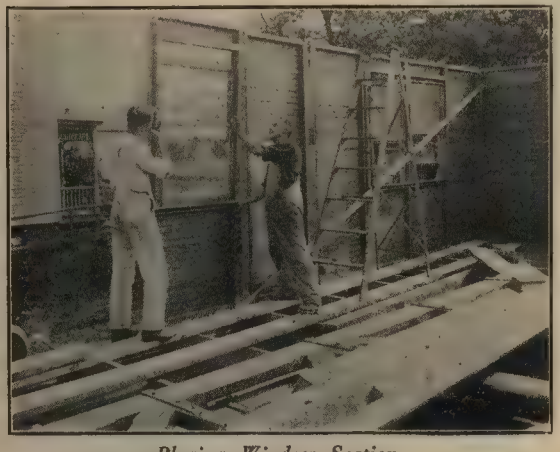
You then work around your building, placing the sections according to numbers shown on erection plan, as shown in illustration No. 2. Two men can easily do this part of the work.

When the sections are in place the plates are placed on top of wall. Then the gables and trusses are swung into position. Illustrations No. 3 and No. 4 shows these operations very clearly. These sections are then anchored securely together by purlins and ridge.

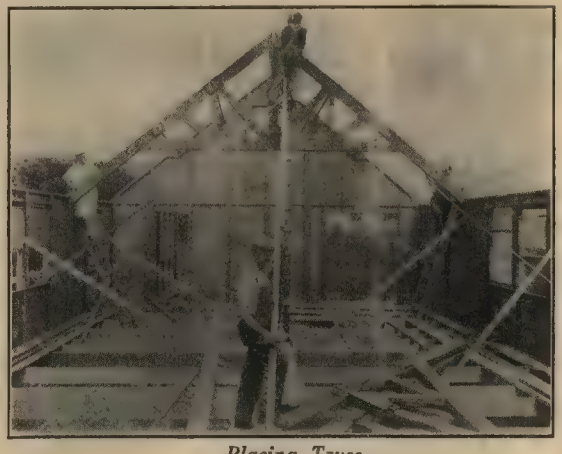
Next comes the placing of the roof sections. These are carried up in pairs, one from either side. They are bolted together at ridge and also at eaves. To make them doubly strong they are bolted together as well.

If you study these illustrations a few moments you will readily see what a simple operation it is to erect a Bossert building. Nothing but bolts are used to hold the sections together. Even the floor is made sectional and placed in position according to numbers marked on each section. When the floors are laid you are ready to place the partitions. With this simple operation completed your house is practically ready for occupancy.

All doors, windows, blinds, shutters and screens are cut, fitted and hung in place when the building leaves our plant. This means a big saving of time and work when the sections reach you, as no cutting or fitting is necessary.



Placing Window Section



Placing Truss

Erecting a Bossert "Redibilt" or "Excelsior" Building

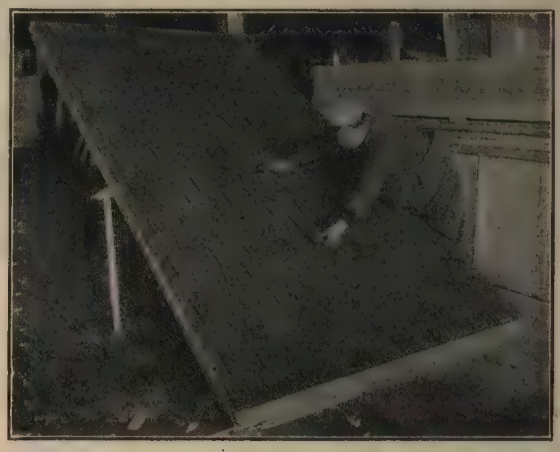
Bossert houses are as snug, durable and warm as it is possible to make a building by any method of construction. Like other buildings, they should be built over a cellar if they are to be used all year round. This keeps out moisture and assures a warm building. If your Bossert house is to be used during the summer only, posts or foundation piers will be sufficient and a cellar can be added at any future time if required.

Plaster and Wall Board Interiors

Experience has proved that in all buildings where a flush interior plaster finish is desired it is necessary to apply this finish after the building is completed. Plaster board of a superior make about one-half inch in thickness, with plastered joints, makes a splendid finish, producing the same effect as if the entire wall had been plastered. This is not only quickly applied, but it avoids the unsightly cracks and shrinkage which takes place in a plastered wall. Genuine plaster board neither shrinks nor cracks and is not affected by atmospheric conditions. Ask us to tell you more about this durable and satisfactory material.

Bossert Shingled Sections

As shown by the illustration, Bossert patent shingled joints are the essence of simplicity. One shingle is omitted in every second row directly over the joint; when all sections are in place loose shingles (cut to fit) are slipped into place, leaving no sign of the section joints or of the bolts which are under these inserted shingles.



Placing the Finishing Shingles

Erecting a Bossert Grade "A" Assembled Unit Building

BOSSERT GRADE "A" PERMANENT BUILDINGS are erected from units prepared in the mill as described and shown on pages 6 and 11. The sectional view shows the regular recognized method of floor beam, wall, and roof framing; this is accomplished in a superior manner by the "Bossert" method, because all the timbers are cut and fitted by machinery in the mill instead of on the ground.

SILLS are cut to exact length and are laid on the foundation in the regular way.

WALL SECTIONS as shown on page 6 and described on page 11 are then erected and nailed together and to the floor and ceiling beams.

RIBBON SUPPORTS for second floor beams are continuous members cut to exact length and are nailed in place when wall units are erected.

EXTERIOR WALL FINISH (shingles, clapboards or stucco) is applied after the building is erected.

ROOF SECTIONS are lathed for shingles to be applied in the regular way or close boards can be furnished if so ordered for slate or tile roofs. Ridge is a continuous member and is nailed in place as roof sections are erected.

CORNICE MATERIAL is supplied to fit the machined ends of beams and is ready to nail in place.

INTERIOR DOORS are not fitted but door jambs and trims are machined and ready to set. This also applies to base and floor moulding.

PARTITION STUDDING is cut to exact size and ready to set in the regular way.

INTERIOR WALL FINISH is optional with the builder. Plaster board can be furnished if desired and as all studs are machined to width an even and true wall surface is assured.

PORCH SECTIONS (enclosed type) are built up in completed sections and come ready to set in place. Open type has frame work put together according to design.

BUILDING PAPER for all exterior walls supplied in rolls.

NAILS are provided for all material furnished, including flooring and shingles.

EXTRAORDINARY SAVING IN ERECTION TIME Actual construction has demonstrated that this method of building requires only about one quarter of the time necessary to erect the same house by the old method; moreover, the result is not only superior, but it is accomplished with an ease and certainty of result that has never before been obtainable in the building business.

The Plant Behind the Plan

Where Bossert Houses are Built

The Bossert plant is located on Newtown Creek, Brooklyn, and covers some 32 acres on both sides of the Creek. Bossert docks cover one-half mile of deep water-front along the Creek. These docks can accommodate steamships and sailing vessels, many of which can be seen at all times unloading their cargoes of lumber direct on to the Bossert premises. Thus the Bossert plant has a direct outlet and connection to the open sea, facilitating both import and export business on a large scale.

Thirty Million Feet Lumber Capacity

In the Bossert yards, which cover the greater part of the 32 acres, all kinds of hardwoods, pine timber and lumber are carried in stock, totaling approximately thirty million feet of lumber at all times.

In the large warehouses the manufactured stock is housed, comprising about 50,000 sash in assorted sizes, about 10 carloads of glass, and about 50,000 doors, in addition to a great many million feet of all varieties of mouldings.

Dry-Kilns With a Capacity of 200,000 Feet

Ample Manufacturing Space

The factory buildings occupy more than 200,000 square feet of floor space.

About twelve hundred men, experienced in the manufacture of articles of all kinds from lumber, are employed in the Bossert plant.

Progressive foresight has provided machinery of all kinds and of the latest type for the handling and the manufacturing of the raw material. A great deal of it has been specially designed and patented for the purpose of standardizing, time saving, and labor saving in the manufacture of the Bossert houses described in this Catalog.

Rear View of One of the Mills

Our 32-acre plant from the creek side. In the foreground are seen the schooners "Louis Bossert" and "John Bossert"

Even Waste Material is Utilized

Thorough standardization and organization prevent, as a matter of course, any and all kinds of waste in the Bossert plant. All waste material cut from the lumber that goes into Bossert Houses is used in the creation of by-products manufactured in the Bossert Mills.

Office Building as seen from the bridge side

Economies Accrue to Purchaser

The extraordinary economies thus effected accrue directly to the purchaser of a Bossert Home.

Compare this method of intensive production with the waste of good materials that is inseparable from the old method of home building and which is variously estimated at from 15% to 25% of the lumber actually delivered on the ground, which, in addition, carries with it its share of freight and trucking charges, cost of handling, and, above all, the excessive cost of hand labor and additional losses resulting from mechanics' errors or changes in construction.

A few of our trucks and their teams on a road through the lumber yard

Service Department

In conclusion we invite any and all inquiries relating to our products, or if you have a favorite plan for any kind of a frame building we will be glad to assist you in the furnishing of rough lumber, trim or accessories, from the simplest fitment to the most elaborate and complete private or public building interior.

We maintain a Service Department solely for the purpose of serving you whether its about a Home, Factory, Church, School, Hospital or industrial housing problem.

Personal inspection of our facilities and methods are cordially extended with the assurance that you will be amply repaid for the time expended.

What Our Prices Include

THE prices quoted in this catalog are all subject to change without notice.

The prices include all of the sections and parts necessary to complete all buildings above foundations, also the hardware necessary for proper erection.

Painting is included as follows:

The Standard Bossert type, which is our better grade buildings, are finished according to the outside covering used. Clapboard side walls are painted two coats, any color or combination of colors selected. The roof shingles are left in their natural state or stained to order at extra cost.

Where both side walls and roof are shingled, they are either left to weather or the roof may be stained and side walls painted one coat at the mill. When shingled houses are left in their natural state outside trim, including doors and door frames, sash and window frames and underside of eaves are painted two coats. No interior decorating of any kind is included in any of our buildings.

Where wall board is furnished for application on the interior walls, wood trim is also supplied.

The cheaper grade of buildings, known as the Excelsior Type, are shipped with one coat of stain or paint on the outside but no paint or stain whatsoever on the inside. Two coats of paint will be furnished at additional cost.

Prices do not include erection, but arrangements can be made for the proper erection of houses if within reasonable distance from New York City.

We do not include cellar windows, doors, stairs or partitions in cellar. These, however, can be furnished according to requirements at reasonable cost.

No labor is included, or materials for masonry, plumbing, heating or wiring.

THE BOSSERT PLANT.

Telephone Stagg 2600. (Ask for House Dept.) Telegrams — Bossert, Brooklyn.

Cables—Bossert, New York.

If a man maketh a mouse trap better than his neighbor, even though he live in the woods the world will make a beaten path to his door.

—EMERSON.

Terms

All goods are quoted as F. O. B. our plant. All orders must be made on our regulation order blank and twenty-five per cent of total price must accompany each order as a deposit; balance must be paid on presentation of Bill of Lading, or where we make the delivery with our own trucks balance is due within 48 hours after notification that the building is ready for delivery. No agent or employee has authority to accept orders any other way.

All orders are rushed with all possible speed; we will not guarantee any specified time of delivery. We will endeavor to ship, however, in accordance with time desired by purchaser. All prices quoted are net and not subject to discount.

Where we erect houses, erection estimate, which may be had on application, must be added to cost price and treated as one amount, the deposit and balance being payable as above.

The terms for export are the same as those for domestic orders with the exception that the purchaser must arrange for proper payment of draft when presented in New York City.

CRATING for export adds 15 per cent to prices.

BOSSERT SERVICE BLANK

For those desiring any model in this book laid out in a different way, to suit their individual tastes, we enclose this sheet. Each square represents 3 feet. Windows, blanks and doors must be full width of square. House should not be of a greater width than 30 feet. Points of compass should also be shown on this sheet. Location of road and size of plot is very important also.

If you will roughly sketch in what you want we would be pleased to quote on your individual requirements.

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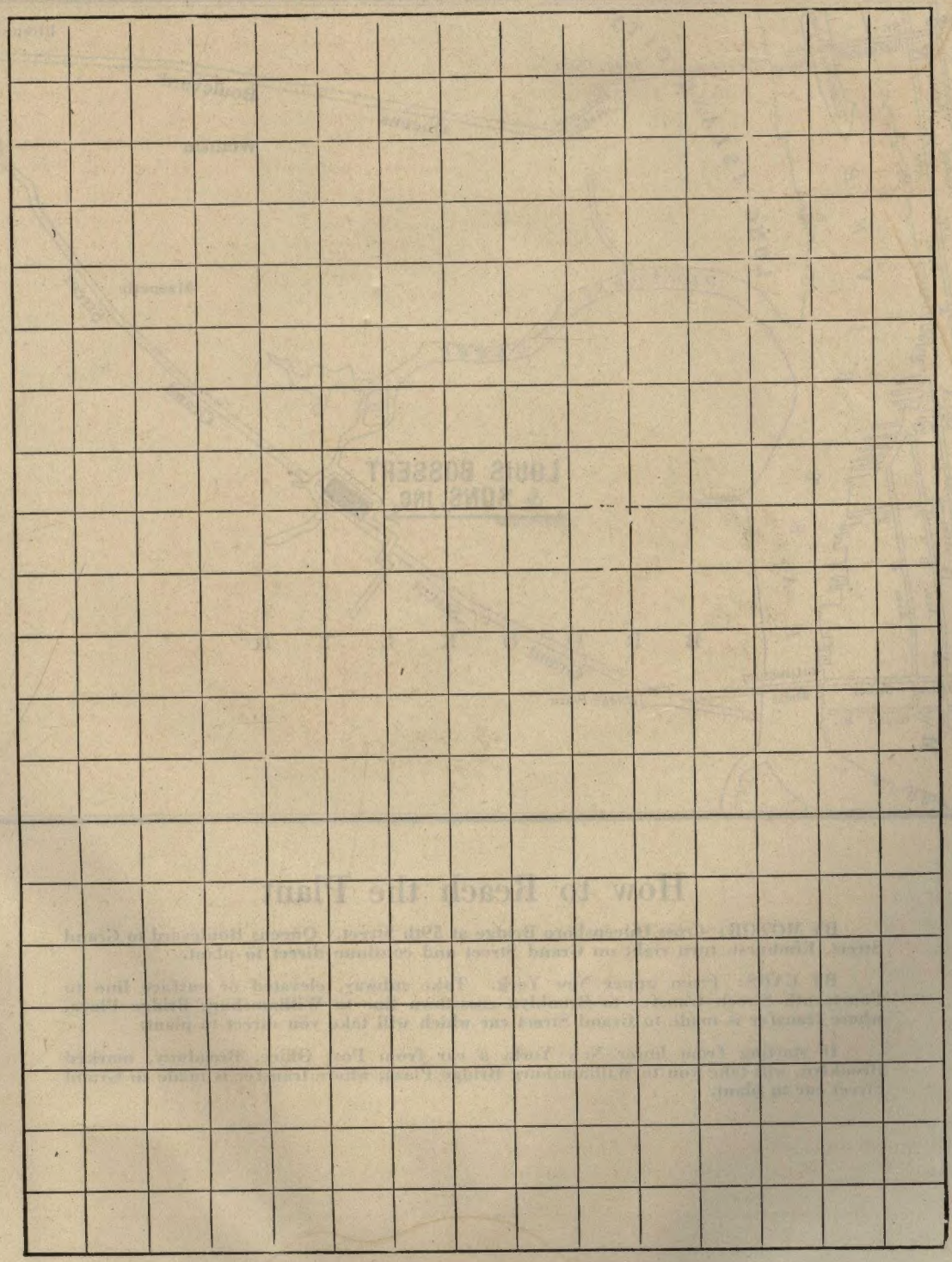

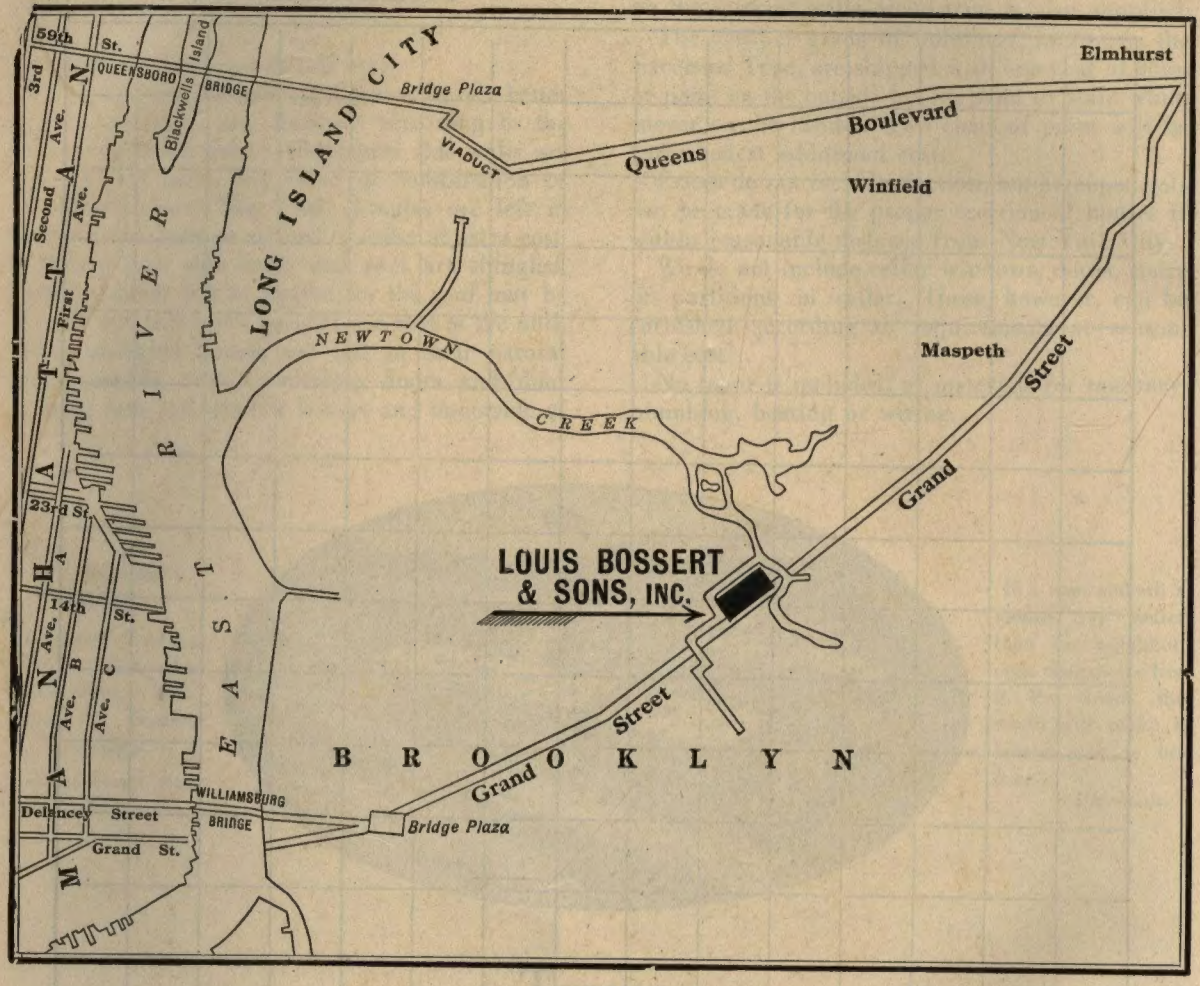

How to Reach the Plant

BY MOTOR: Cross Queensboro Bridge at 59th Street. Queens Boulevard to Grand Street, Elmhurst, turn right on Grand Street and continue direct to plant.

BY CARS: From upper New York. Take subway, elevated or surface line to Fourteenth Street, transfer to Brooklyn crosstown line to Williamsburg Bridge Plaza, where transfer is made to Grand Street car which will take you direct to plant.

If starting from lower New York, a car from Post Office, Broadway, marked Brooklyn, will take you to Williamsburg Bridge Plaza, where transfer is made to Grand Street car to plant.

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